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THE NEWS CONDENSED.

Stock market irregular.

Cash wheat, No. 2 red, $1.08; cash corn, No. 2 mixed, 37c; cash cotton, 6 3-16c.

FOREIGN.—Public opinion in Japan is urging the Government to assert itself and secure a foothold on the continent of Asia to offset Wei-Hai-Wei. England has arranged, it is said, to loan China money enough to pay the Japanese war indemnity and thus secure the evacuation of Wei-Hai-Wei. Mr. Gladstone's health is again a matter of grave concern. The British ship Ravenscraig, bound from New Whatcom for Callao, is missing. A Hamburg newspaper says a syndicate has been formed to run a fortnightly steamship service between New York and Eastern Asia.—Page 7.

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Capt. Zalinski, inventor of the dynamite gun, is recovering from the grip at Roosevelt Hospital.

It was announced yesterday that El Sol and El Norte, bought by the Government from the Morgan Line, will go to the navy yard to-morrow to be refitted as cruisers. The Naval Board of Inspection continued its work.

The Merchants and Manufacturers' Board of Trade unanimously adopted resolutions yesterday declaring Spain responsible for the Maine disaster, demanding ample indemnity and reparation, and favoring independence for Cuba, and war to secure it if peaceful means to do so fail.

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The Board of Public Improvements yesterday laid over all matters requiring issues of bonds.

The establishment of a parcel post was advocated yesterday at a meeting of representative business men in Chicago.

Ex-Sheriff Stanton, candidate for Recorder in Hoboken, said if elected he would have no side door for private complaints in his office. He promised to "set" on the bench with a clear head in the morning.

Three Italians were killed, two fatally injured, and many hurt in an accident on the Naugatuck Division of the New Haven Railroad near Thomaston, Conn. A caboose in which they were riding crashed through a bridge.

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David R. Hires, a brother of ex-Congressman George Hires, was killed at Salem, N. J., by the kick of a horse.

The Central Cuban Relief Committee is embarrassed by lack of transportation facilities, as supplies are coming in faster than they can be sent to Cuba.

There was much excitement at the headquarters of the Cuban Junta yesterday. H. S. Rubens said again that the Cubans would accept nothing short of independence.

The work of preparing cable connections for the mines and torpedoes necessary for the protection of New York Harbor has been nearly finished and the destructive instruments could be laid in three days.

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Father John P. Chidwick, Chaplain of the Maine, is in town, and will soon be assigned to a new ship and go to Key West. He has been promoted to a Lieutenancy.

The battleship Texas started yesterday morning to join the flying squadron at Hampton Roads. Orders were received at the navy yard to rush work on the cruiser Chicago.

The great stallion Director, which cost the late Andrew Moore $75,000, brought $1,275 at the auction on the Cloverdale Stock Farm, near Philadelphia. Red Wilkes brought $600.

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The members of the Rainy Day Club met at Tuxedo Hall and listened to a paper on "Art in Dress" by Mrs. Belle Gray Taylor.

The new Chicago Council will overthrow John Powers and elect Alderman Adolphus W. Maltby, Chairman of the Finance Committee, it is said.

Miss Emma Louise Cimiotti, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Cimiotti, was married to Herman Bowsky at the home of her parents, 881 West End Avenue, last night, the Rev. Dr. Merle St. Croix Wright officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Cimiotti celebrated their silver wedding at the same time.

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A combination is being planned in Philadelphia by which the wall paper interests of the United States will be pooled.

Some difficulty is experienced in filling the coming vacancies in the Lake Shore and Nickel Plate Railroad Presidencies.

State Engineer Adams was examined by the Canal Investigating Committee at Albany. He said that in 1896 he did not think the canals could be more than deepened for $9,000,000.

There was a sharp panic among the bears on the Stock Exchange yesterday when the report came in ten minutes before the closing time that Spain had backed down. Prices went up with a bound, and there was intense excitement.

The third annual dinner of the Booksellers' League took place at the Hotel St. Denis Tuesday night. Henry Holt said that too much fiction was being published annually. Robert Barr and Richard Le Gallienne were among the speakers.

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The New York East Conference closed its session in Brooklyn yesterday, and the list of appointments was given out.

The City Club held its annual meeting and elected committees. A resolution was passed protesting against the enactment of the Ahearn bill.

Frederick Milne, one of the indicted members of the Brooklyn City Works ring, was sentenced by Judge Hurd to six months' imprisonment and to pay a fine of $500.

The elevated railroad franchise will come up for consideration at to-day's meeting of the Rapid Transit Commission. It is expected that Charles Stewart Smith will be present.

Capt. Raynaud of the French Army is about to make experiments with carrier pigeons from ocean steamships, hoping that they will be of great value in sending news of accidents and also for postal service.

Theodore Goeb, fifteen years old, of Long Island City, rode over 100 miles on his wheel Monday and died Tuesday from exhaustion. His physician said that the run was the direct cause of his death.

At a meeting of the Holland Society, Mayor Van Wyck was elected President, and when introduced he responded with a short address. The society refused to adopt two anti-Spain resolutions which were proposed.

Milton Clark of Brooklyn got into a quarrel with the brother of Miss Ferchland, the girl to whom he was engaged. He shot at the brother, and in escaping broke his arm. He and the young woman boarded a street car, and later were married in Hoboken, despite parental opposition.

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CHICAGO CARPENTERS WIN.

CHICAGO, April 6.—The carpenters' strike, which began Monday, came to a sudden end to-day, when all the larger contractors signed the union carpenters' agreement. This is a victory for the strikers. The strike caused 5,000 union carpenters to lay off work. The agreement signed is practically the same as the one previously in force except for the provision for a weekly holiday, Saturday half-holidays during the summer months, and a more stringent enforcement of the 37½ cents an hour wage [illegible]

AS MADRID SEES THE CRISIS.

Foreign Powers Said to Think that a Peaceable Settlement Might Yet Be Secured.

LONDON, April 7.—The Madrid correspondent of The Daily Telegraph says:

"I am able to assert that, in the opinion of more than one European Government, a peaceable settlement on the basis of Spanish concessions could easily be secured if a little time were allowed for reflection and discussion; but the rapidity of events at Washington is the most dangerous element of the situation.

"It is questionable whether the Cubans are ripe for independence and whether such a measure could possibly be executed in a hurry."

The Madrid correspondent of The Times says:

"There is no definite news, but the situation becomes more stable in its gravity. The telegrams from Rome indicate that the Pope's mediation is, or perhaps by this time was, indefinite and undeveloped, and that the assent of all parties concerned is as yet not accorded. It is said, furthermore, that his Holiness will ask the Queen Regent to grant an armistice in Cuba. Her Majesty may do so, but, as no armistice is reported to have been asked for from the rebel camp, the granting of it will not be easy.

"A Ministerial crisis is talked of. No crisis of this nature is in immediate prospect, but the shades of Ministerial opinion are known to contrast with some sharpness. The Cuban Ministry's message to the insurgents is thought here to be sailing as close to the wind as is safe. El Heraldo De Madrid attacks it with tooth and nail, and The Exercito Espanol, an organ representing the army, brings a violent charge against the Colonial Minister, Señor Moret, though adducing no proof.

"With these exceptions, the press is laudably sober; and the country says little, but pulls itself together for attack and defense. Diplomacy or intercession may still, of course, be trumps, and peace may ensue. If it does, there will be much warlike preparation to unmake; and Spain's estimate of America, her Parliament, and people will have been an error."

WAR PREPARATIONS AT HAVANA.

The Spaniards Practice with the Big Guns—Torpedoes Planted.

HAVANA, April 6.—Some of the Spaniards still talk wildly about the United States fleet being blown out of water by fire from Havana batteries on the water front, but as careful practice two days ago showed the inability of the gunners to come with 100 yards of a target on smooth water, at a range of two miles or thereabouts, naval men need not be apprehensive of the effect of the Havana guns.

The story sent North that forty mines had been recently sunk in Havana Harbor is not verified. It is improbable. Likely enough, however, a single line or perhaps a double line of torpedoes have been laid in the narrowest part of the channel near the entrance. It is not known whether they are electric or contact torpedoes, but possibly they are of both varieties.

SPANISH FOURS STILL LOWER.

LONDON, April 6.—Business on the Stock Exchange to-day was stagnant, pending President McKinley's message to Congress. Owing to the gravity of the Cuban situation the Stock Exchange Committee is considering the advisability of rescinding its decision to close the Stock Exchange on Easter Saturday.

The market for American securities opened flat, with prices ½ below New York parity. Spanish fours opened lower at 48¾, and further weakened to 47½. Later there was a slight rally to 47⅞. The closing price yesterday was 49¼.

There was a better feeling for American securities in the afternoon. Spanish fours strengthened to 48⅝ on rumors that President McKinley's message will not be sent to Congress until Thursday. Spanish fours closed at 48⅜, a net loss of ⅜ from yesterday's closing price. After the close of the Stock Exchange Spanish fours were offered at 48 on the Street.

PARIS, April 6.—Spanish fours closed on the Bourse to-day at 49 ex interest. The closing price yesterday was 50 15-16.

BARCELONA, April 6.—Spanish fours are quoted here to-day at 67.80, against 70.25 yesterday.

SPAIN WAITING FOR THE MESSAGE.

LONDON, April 6.—A special dispatch from Madrid this afternoon, says that the situation there this morning was one of expectancy. The Government and the public were anxiously awaiting President McKinley's message to Congress.

The dispatch adds that the Spanish Cabinet discussed the situation this morning at length, and it is further asserted that the prevalent opinion among the officials is that a peaceful solution of the crisis is impossible.

MADRID, April 6.—Señor Sagasta, Premier, on leaving the Palace to-day for his daily conference with the Queen Regent, declared to the reporters who questioned him on the subject that he expected President McKinley's message to Congress would be peaceful in tone, and that it would probably result in avoiding a conflict.

The message, it is said, will not advise the recognition of the independence of the insurgents, but will recommend measures looking toward the immediate cessation of hostilities, and the restoration of peace and stability of government in Cuba in the interests of humanity and the safety and tranquility of the United States.

THE WEATHER.

The local forecast may be found at the top of this page, to the right of the title.

The pressure is high throughout the central valleys, the lake regions, and eastward to the Middle Atlantic Coast. A depression lies to the northeastward, and a slight one to the south of Florida. The pressure has fallen decidedly in the Rocky Mountain districts and on the North Pacific Coast. There is an increased cloudiness in the Southwest; elsewhere east of the Rocky Mountains the weather is nearly clear. The rainfall for the past twenty-four hours is confined to a few light and scattered showers. The temperature is higher in the Upper Mississippi and Missouri Valleys, and lower on the South Atlantic Coast. Fair weather is indicated for to-day in all districts east of the Mississippi. Fair and warmer weather is probable in the Upper Mississippi and Missouri Valleys. There will be an increase in cloudiness in the Southwest and along the Rocky Mountains northward. The Mississippi River at Memphis has reached a stage of 36.3 feet, and it bids fair to almost attain the height of last year's flood. The St. Francis bottoms are reported badly overflowed, and railroad traffic interfered with. At Helena the river has passed the danger line to a stage of 44.4 feet, and continues to rise steadily.

The record of temperature for the twenty-four hours ended at midnight, taken from THE NEW YORK TIMES's thermometer and from the thermometer of the Weather Bureau, is as follows:

	—Weather Bureau.— 1897.	1898.	THE TIMES. 1898.
3 A. M.	56	25	29
6 A. M.	50	24	28
9 A. M.	54	31	34
12 M.	58	34	40
3 P. M.	58	35	40
6 P. M.	55	35	40
9 P. M.	52	33	35
12 P. M.	48	32	32

THE TIMES's thermometer is 6 feet above the street level; that of the Weather Bureau is 285 feet above the street level.

Average temperatures yesterday were as follows:

Printing House Square.....35½
Weather Bureau.....31½
Corresponding date, 1897.....53½
Corresponding date for last 30 years...44

The maximum temperature yesterday was 39 degrees at 4:15 P. M.; the minimum was 25 degrees at 5:20 A. M. The humidity at 8 A. M. was .64 per cent., and at 8 P. M. .65 per cent.

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SPAIN HAS NOT GIVEN IN

Judge Day Says the Government Has No Confirmation of Reports from Madrid.

NEGOTIATIONS NOT RESUMED

Reports of Riots in Havana Also Discredited, but Consul General Lee Has Been Notified to Return Home.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—If Spain is prepared to give all America has asked, as stated in an Associated Press dispatch from Madrid, the State Department has no information to that effect. A copy of the dispatch was shown to Judge Day, Assistant Secretary of State, at 11 o'clock to-night, just after he had reached his home from the White House. Judge Day read the dispatch through carefully, remarked that he had already seen it in the afternoon papers, and added:

"If this information is true we do not know it. We have received no communication to that effect from Madrid."

"Have you received any communication from Madrid to-day?"

"None whatever."

"Then diplomatic negotiations have not been resumed between this country and Spain?"

"They have not."

Judge Day was asked whether he had any information concerning the rioting reported in afternoon dispatches as occurring in Havana, to-day.

"No," he answered, "we have had no advices of any outbreak, and I discredit the report, for I think we would have been notified if there had been any trouble."

"Has Consul General Lee been recalled?" the Judge was asked.

"Recalled!" he said. "No, not recalled. That would imply some sort of rebuke or reflection on Gen. Lee. He has not been recalled, but notified to come home."

"Has Gen. Lee sailed from Havana?"

"If so, we have not been notified of it."

Judge Day's denial that fresh overtures had been made by Spain set at rest a rumor which obtained currency during the afternoon that the real reason for President McKinley withholding his message at the last moment was the receipt of some definite proposition from Spain. The Judge was clear and emphatic in his statement that no word had been received from the Madrid Government to-day, and that there had been no resumption of negotiations between the two Governments.

PEACE TALK IN MADRID.

Reports of an Agreement Concluded with This Country and of an Immediate Armistice.

MADRID, April 6.—A report is current here that a reply has been received from Washington to a suggestion alleged to have been made by the United States Minister, Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, whereby an honorable peace satisfactory to both the United States and Spain could be secured; that a settlement of the trouble between the two countries has been, or is on the point of, being concluded; that as a first result a proclamation by the Queen Regent, announcing an immediate armistice in Cuba, will be issued to-morrow or on Friday.

The Queen Regent, it is asserted, has practically taken matters out of the hands of her Ministers, and is dealing direct with Gen. Woodford, through the German and Austrian Ambassadors, and is working earnestly for peace. The Austrian Ambassador, Count Dubsky, had an interview with Gen. Woodford to-day. They both seemed much pleased at the situation. M. Patenotre, the French Ambassador, also called upon the United States Minister.

Spain, it is declared, is now prepared to give all America has asked, although the form of this concession must be gilded to suit Spanish palates and must take into consideration the political difficulties which confront Spain.

It is said that the new turn of events has caused dissensions in the Cabinet, and on this report the Bourse declined heavily. The Queen Regent, however, it is asserted, is determined to have her way in the matter, and, if necessary, the Ministry will be changed. Señor Silvela, the leader of the Dissident Conservatives and the Conservatives will, if necessary, it is understood, accept office on a programme of an immediate armistice, with full authority to the Autonomist Government to negotiate and conclude an immediate and effectual peace in Cuba.

On the other hand, Premier Sagasta denied this afternoon that there was any trouble in the Cabinet. He also denied the report of the embarkation of troops for the Philippine Islands.

POPE'S EFFORTS FOR PEACE.

Hope Revived in Rome that They Will Lead to a Solution—Spanish Public Disabused.

LONDON, April 7.—The Pall Mall Gazette yesterday afternoon published the following dispatch from Rome:

"The Vatican to-day is the scene of the utmost activity. Distinguished personages are coming and going, and telegrams are pouring in. The hopes of a solution of the Hispano-American difficulty through the Pope have been revived. The Pope is in direct communication with the Queen Regent, but his approaches to President McKinley were made indirectly. The Vatican people are sanguine of an armistice. They appear to base their belief of a peaceful solution on the fact that the supposed unpreparedness of the United States for war will make Washington cautious in going to extremities."

The Rome correspondent of The Daily Mail says:

"The Pope's mediation will probably not go further, as President McKinley has declared that an armistice with the Cubans would not go to the root of the matter."

The Madrid correspondent of The Morning Post says:

"An announcement that the Pope's action was not at President McKinley's request has been communicated to the press. The Government has also admitted its error to United States Minister Woodford, expressing regret that the misunderstanding arose. Gen. Woodford has accepted the explanation as satisfactory, and the matter which might have led to serious complications has been settled so far as the two Governments are concerned.

"The withdrawal has, however, changed the aspects of affairs. In the public view President McKinley's supposed solicitation of mediation naturally created an impression very satisfactory to the Spaniards, being interpreted as nearly akin to an admission that the United States Government never intended to go beyond words in its protest and was glad to accept an opportunity which would remove the necessity of making those words good by action.

"Lieut. Gen. Correa, the Minister of War, is reported to have expressed himself as disgusted with the situation."

The Rome correspondent of The Daily News, describing the origin of the statement that America sought the Pope's mediation, says:

"This 'He from Madrid,' as they openly call it in the Vatican, has upset the calculations of the Pope and may cause the entire ruin of the good offices of the Pontiff, because of the dislike ar ong Americans of intervention by the Pope, not only as the head of the Catholics, but as a European Prince, as he wishes to be considered, his action thus being opposed to the Monroe doctrine.

"It is supposed that Madrid gave this version to make it appear that the United States was backing down, because unprepared for war. Papal action now continues in pressing Spain to accept the conditions of the United States and in working indirectly for the spread of the peace spirit in America. Even at the Vatican the independence of Cuba now seems inevitable, with or without war.

"Can the Pope and the powers which join him induce Spain to withdraw peacefully instead of being driven out? The possibility or not of concluding an armistice will be the first step toward the one or the other solution. The Italia says that Mgr. Martinelli, the Apostolic Delegate at Washington, has cabled to the Vatican that President McKinley expresses his best wishes for the success of the Pope in obtaining an armistice in Cuba, but that the President considers the question one between Spain and Cuba, while there is a question between Spain and the United States, and the two have nothing to do with each other."

The Rome correspondent of The Daily Chronicle says:

"Archbishop Ireland has cabled the Pope that mediation is almost impossible in consequence of the resistance of public opinion. His Holiness is much grieved by this check to his good intentions.

"The Cuban insurgents, it is said, have cabled the European Committee that they will not agree to an armistice or disarmament unless Cuban independence is proclaimed."

The Rome correspondent of The Daily Telegraph says:

"While receiving a body of American pilgrims this morning the Pope delivered an eloquent and feeling address on peace. Its maintenance, he said, prompted his action.

"His Holiness had previously passed three hours in conference with Cardinal Rampolla, the Papal Secretary of State. Doubt is gaining ground here as to the acceptance of the Papal proposals, and the American Embassy despairs of peace."

ROME, April 6.—It is semi-officially announced here that the Spanish Government has accepted the principle of an armistice with the insurgents, as proposed by the Pope. President McKinley's reply is now awaited. Upon it depends the possibility of continuing the negotiations at Madrid and Washington. It is believed the powers will now take joint action to prevent a rupture.

SPANISH PRESS OPINIONS.

MADRID, April 6.—The Imparcial, (independent,) commenting to-day upon the political situation, says:

"President McKinley thought to frighten Spain with warlike preparations, making the same error as Napoleon, judging the peninsula by its rulers. Thus judging, he opened the floodgates of American patriotism now threatening to overwhelm him."

Continuing, The Imparcial says the American plan at the outbreak of hostilities is to "simultaneously attack Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the Philippine Islands," adding, "Havana will be blockaded by day and bombarded by night."

Thereupon The Imparcial urges the Government to "take prompt action and dispose the Spanish forces so as to counteract the enemy's scheme."

The Liberal regrets the "propagation from certain sources of optimistic views invariably resulting in pessimistic reaction," adding:

"The popular feeling is beginning to pass from impatience to anger. Since mediation was announced the obscurity has increased, no one now knowing with certainty who was the petitioner for Papal intervention. Aggravating the existing confusion came a letter yesterday evening saying the Pope would officially invite the Queen to solemnize Holy Week by granting the insurgents a truce, thus facilitating the pacification of Cuba."

In conclusion The Liberal expresses fear that "Spanish dignity suffers from underhand manoeuvres," asserts that no truces are wanted, and claims that "the time has come for resolute action."

The evening papers yesterday took the worst view of the situation. They devoted practically their whole space to the crisis, with scare heads, long articles, pictures, &c., and discussed it from every point of view.

The Heraldo (independent) remarked that the idea of war with a rich and powerful nation has become the familiar talk of the street and fireside, adding that "even mothers and wives are resigned to it, considering it necessary for the honor of the country."

Continuing, the Heraldo rejoiced at the fact that public sentiment does not slacken, "that rich and poor are uniting to contribute to the war funds," and expressed the belief that "public opinion abroad is growing in Spain's favor," agreeing with the view attributed here to Mr. Klopsch of the United States Cuban Relief Commission, that "the success of the insurrection will mean negro anarchy in Cuba."

The Heraldo then chronicled "the growing tide of provincial patriotism in behalf of the nation's defense."

A NEW PLAN OF SETTLEMENT.

LONDON, April 7. — The Vienna correspondent of The Times explains a plan of settlement which "offers an acceptable compromise, if not too late, and which has already come under the notice of one of the parties concerned." He says:

"The scheme involves giving Cuba autonomy, but placing the island in a relation toward Spain similar to that which Egypt sustains toward Turkey. Under this plan Cuba would pay an annual tribute to Spain, while America would be intrusted with the control of the Cuban finances and have the same standing there as England has in Egypt. The United States would guarantee the Spanish loan, which, considering America's credit, could easily be issued at 3 per cent. interest, being covered by the tribute. The proceeds of the loan could be divided, say, one-third to Cuba and two-thirds to Spain, and thus both be rescued from financial distress and an honorable peace secured, advantageous to both America and Spain.

The Times, commenting editorially on the scheme of Cuban adjustment outlined by its Vienna correspondent, says it does not think the plan feasible, adding: "Spain appears to remain practically unmoved, and, despite the welcomed delay of the President's message, the situation is still ambiguous and alarming."

BADEN-POWELL BLAMES AMERICA.

LONDON, April 6.—Sir George Baden-Powell, Conservative, member of Parliament for the Kirkdale Division of Liverpool, speaking in Liverpool to-night, said he knew something of Cuban aspirations and he could solemnly declare that a war between the United States and Spain on the pretext publicly made would be nothing short of criminal.

"Neither Spain nor the United States," said Sir George Baden-Powell, "has any reason to bring about the awful results of war. The spirit of unrest that has come across the American people can only be likened to a little schoolboy walking about with his knuckles itching to get at somebody. This feeling comes to nations at periods of too rapid growth."

Conflicting Opinion in London.

LONDON, April 7.—The editorials of the morning papers express conflicting opinions. The Daily News thinks the prospect of peace brighter. The Standard says:

"Evidently there is to be no war between the United States and Spain about Cuba. The powers and the Pope together will be able to arrange a solution."

The Daily Chronicle, on the contrary, considers the aspect of affairs threatening and advises Spain not to commit suicide.

Mr. Smalley's Comment.

LONDON, April 7.—George W. Smalley, the New York correspondent of The Times, expresses the opinion that "Congress has done its worst, and President McKinley has regained control, if, indeed, he ever lost it."

Spanish Troops for Teneriffe.

TENERIFFE, Canary Islands, April 6.—A detachment of Spanish engineers has arrived here, and further reinforcements of Spanish infantry and artillery are daily expected.

CHICAGO REFORMERS WIN.

CHICAGO, April 6.—In the Aldermanic election in this city yesterday the reform element won, electing twenty-five out of thirty-five candidates. These twenty-five have pledged themselves to demand for the city compensation for all public franchises. With thirteen holdovers, the reform element will have 38 votes in the City Council, or a majority of 3. The politics of the Aldermen elected are: Democrats, 17; Republicans, 17; independent, 1.

The returns for town officers show that the Democrats were successful in electing the town tickets in the three great divisions of the city, north, south, and west. The Democrats also elected the town officers in the Town of Lake. The Republicans elected their candidates for town officers in Hyde Park, Lakeview, and Jefferson. In Cicero the entire Republican ticket was elected. About 32 per cent. of last Spring's Mayoralty vote was cast.

BIG EXODUS FROM HAVANA

The Mascotte Arrives at Key West with 96 Passengers and Will Return for More.

OTHER STEAMERS ARE ENGAGED

Gen. Lee Remains at His Post—Streets of the City Filled with People on Account of the Holy Days.

KEY WEST, Fla., April 6—9:40 P. M.—The Mascotte has arrived with ninety-six passengers on board. She is coaling at the Government dock and will return to Havana as soon as through. Consul General Lee did not come. There is great excitement here. Every stateroom on the Mascotte was engaged. The City of Key West will have a big crowd to-morrow. It is reported that there is great excitement at Havana.

TAMPA, Fla., April 6.—The steamship Olivette sailed to-night for Havana to bring over Americans desirous of coming. This ship has been undergoing repairs, and it was with the greatest urgency that she was made ready for the trip.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The Navy Department has been informed of the departure of the Bache and Mangrove from Havana with a large number of Americans on board. It is stated, however, that Gen. Lee has not sailed. Secretary Long said that it had been decided to defer sending the message to Congress, but when asked if this decision had been influenced by the condition of affairs in Havana he declined to answer.

GEN. LEE STILL IN HAVANA.

Precautions Taken for the Observance of Holy Days, and No Vehicles Will Run.

HAVANA, April 6.—The order maintained in the city up to the present is admirable. Consul General Lee assures the correspondent of The Associated Press that he has received no instructions to leave Havana. It is reported, however, that some of the Consul's records were sent North by the Mascotte to-day. She is expected back from Key West on Friday. With the Bache, Mangrove, and Fern there will be ample accommodation then to take away all who are entitled to go.

The G. Lawton Childs Company had intended to close their business here to-day, but have reconsidered the decision. That bank and the Hidalgo Company's Bank were crowded during banking hours to-day.

To-morrow, Holy Thursday, and the next day, Good Friday, will both be religiously observed in all quarters. No business of any kind will be transacted, and even carriages, cabs, and street cars will be forbidden on the streets. In the main town no bells will be allowed to ring until Saturday after the singing of the "Gloria in Excelsis Deo" to-morrow morn'ng. This applies to bells and city clocks. Even ladies must visit the monuments on foot, and it is possible that telegraphic communication will be cut off on account of the holy day.

Bankers with close American connections are packing their papers, collecting all possible debts, arranging for guards for their steel vaults, and sending their families away. Cuban women with husbands, fathers, or brothers in the insurgent ranks are in a state of terror, and are really much to be pitied, since, if any one is marked, it is they, since all history on parallel lines shows no very great consideration from Spanish rioters for the gentler sex.

The few simon-pure Americans who remain keep as cool as may be with the temperature 85 degrees in the morning hours. The fact is, so far as the officials and newspaper men are concerned, they have heard so many weird tales, which they have traced to their sources and found mere buncome or bathos, that they are not prepared to believe any evidence but that of their own senses.

AS CAPT. HUMPHREY SAW CUBA.

Boston Wrecker Tells of the Bitter Feeling Against Americans.

BOSTON, April 6.—Capt. William F. Humphrey, Treasurer of the Boston Towboat Company, arrived home yesterday after a flying trip to Havana. He was in that city two days—March 26 and 27. He inspected the wreck of the Maine, and then hurried away in order to have a conference with Secretary Long. Immediately after that conference the Secretary of the Navy ordered work on the wreck stopped. During his brief stay in Havana Capt. Humphrey had ample chance to see evidences of the bitter feeling there against Americans. He found it manifested in many ways, but principally in insulting remarks directed in low tones as Americans pass along the streets, or when they are observed in any public place. "The excitement there was growing when I left, just as it has been growing here," said Capt. Humphrey to a reporter who interviewed him on his arrival.

"When I was there talk of peace was uppermost in Washington, but in spite of that it was easy to see that the bitter feeling against Americans was growing. Gen. Lee told me he considered the situation then very critical."

Capt. Humphrey found Gen. Lee collected and cheerful, in spite of the gravity of the situation, and his coolness gave those around him assurance. He was all ready to get out at a moment's notice, but, until ordered away, he was going to stick to his post as if things were going along serenely."

While speaking of the war vessels at Havana, Capt. Humphrey referred to the reported inability of the Alphonso XII. to go to sea on account of leaky boilers.

"It looks as if the ship was of no use to the Spanish," was Capt. Humphrey's laconic comment on the story about her boilers. Capt. Humphrey talked, on the day of his arrival in Havana, with a newspaper man who had just arrived in the city from the interior, having visited the insurgents and passed through the trochas of the Spanish without their knowledge. This correspondent described the condition of the Spanish in the field as pitiable. He said the soldiers were sick and starving. Their clothing was in rags and their feet were tied up in bagging and rags to keep them from being bruised while marching or moving about the rough country. They were discouraged, and would welcome anything that would give them food and rest.

TWO BRITISH VESSELS HIRED.

The Beverley and Brookline to Bring Americans from Cuba.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, April 6.—The Boston Fruit Company's steamer Beverley, Capt. Andersen, which has been dispatched by United States Consul Dent from here to Santiago de Cuba to embark the American citizens at that port, sailed for Cuba this morning.

A dispatch from Boston was posted in the Maritime Exchange late yesterday afternoon, stating that two British steamships, whose agencies are in Boston, had been chartered by the Government to bring as many Americans from Cuba as they could accommodate. These steamships are the Beverly, which left Port Antonio at 2 o'clock yesterday morning for Santiago de Cuba, and the Brookline, which left Jamaica at 7 o'clock yesterday morning for Cienfuegos.

THE DANGER TO AMERICANS.

Gen. Lee Said to Have Reported that All Could Have Gotten Out of Cuba Before This.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—There is a sharp disagreement between the views issued from the White House and those entertained in the War, Navy, and State Departments concerning the position of Gen. Lee and the other American citizens and Consuls in Cuba. If the Consul General at Havana thinks that the lives of American citizens in the island will not be secure unless the message of President McKinley be withheld until next Monday, it must be, according to information had by these departments, a sudden reversal of his opinion. As late as this morning the State Department understood from advices received from Gen. Lee that there would be no difficulty in getting the Americans out of Cuba by noon. The dispatch supposed to have been received by the President was a surprise to every one who was familiar with the situation.

Because of the manner in which the scanty news from Cuba is given out, a misconception has been formed of the position Gen. Lee and other Consuls on the island occupy with relation to this Government and to the Government of Spain. They do not occupy the position of diplomatic representatives. They are commercial agents of this Government, and as such are not subject to recall. This was clearly stated in an interview in THE NEW YORK TIMES to-day, giving the opinion of a high legal authority in the War Department. At the State Department to-day it was said that Gen. Lee is merely a Consular representative, with somewhat extended powers in order to fit him for transaction of certain matters in Havana that can be disposed of there to better advantage than at Madrid. Consequently, it was said, he will be not recalled, and no step has been taken looking to his recall, as this would be contrary to all custom.

It was also said that in this instance as in all others, whenever the condition of affairs became so perilous that the lives of Consuls are not secure they are advised to leave the country.

Beyond this the State Department does not go. It has already notified Gen. Lee and other Consuls of the critical state of affairs, and advised them that it would be best for them to leave Cuba, at once. The department stated to-day that the only thing to look forward to now is that Gen. Lee will leave Havana, when he regards his continued stay there as perilous and useless. He will take this step, it was said, when war breaks out or just before the commencement of actual hostilities, and every facility will be afforded for his escape in due season.

As to the personal peril in which the Consuls in Cuba are said to be at this time, the State Department has carefully planned to give them full protection and opportunity to get out of the island. Several days ago dispatches passed between the department and Gen. Lee in regard to this matter, and the Consul General was advised that several vessels would be in Havana Harbor on April 5 (yesterday) to take him and the other Consuls and American citizens away from Cuba, if it was found necessary. It was thought that there was abundance of time for the preparation of the Consuls and others to leave by that date. Gen. Lee so informed the department, and said that everybody would be ready to leave Havana by noon to-day. It was for this reason that the Mangrove, Bache, and Blake were sent to Havana yesterday, and the Fern held in that harbor.

It was partly because of these statements of Gen. Lee, it is said, that President McKinley withheld his message until to-day. In fact, according to all reports to-day at high noon was the hour set for the declaration of war, or at least for the commencement of actual hostilities.

Consul General Lee's retirement from Havana would have been considered by the whole world as the first actual step in war, and it would have been followed immediately by the launching of the fleets of the United States against Spain in West Indian waters and against Spain at home. The sudden halt in this plan has taken the officials in every department by surprise, and chiefly because it has been put upon the plea that the Americans in Cuba are not safe when it was supposed that they would have been secure on American ships before the message could have got to Congress.

MAY BE RIOTS DURING HOLIDAYS.

State Department Officials Anticipate Trouble in Spain and Cuba.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The State Department officials are anticipating with much interest and considerable apprehension the probabilities of the coming Easter holidays in Spain and Cuba. It is at such times that the people, especially when great national questions are uppermost in the public mind, are apt to give way to their feelings and indulge in riotous demonstrations.

These holidays begin to-morrow, which is Holy Thursday, and continue for several days. Most of the business houses and all the places of amusement are closed from Thursday to Sunday, and consequently many idle people assemble at public places and on thoroughfares. On Sunday many of the people who opened their half a day, having closed at noon to permit the employes to indulge in various pastimes and sports and to attend the bull fights which are so popular in both Spain and Cuba.

In view of the very strained relations existing at this time between Spain and the United States, the assemblage of large crowds in public places may, it is feared, lead to uprisings and to demonstrations against American citizens in Spain or Cuba.

A CONSUL LEAVES SAN FRANCISCO.

Senor de Castro on His Way to Washington and Havana.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 6.—Felipe de Castro, Spain's Consul in this city, took his departure Sunday, and is now on his way to Washington. Consul de Castro sent out farewell cards to local Consuls, but otherwise kept his departure secret. He informed friends here that he might return in the near future, but that was a mere contingency, depending upon international developments.

At his former residence, Polk and Bush Streets, last night it was learned that from Washington he would go to Havana. Mrs. de Castro has her trunks packed, and is ready to leave town at a moment's notice. She expects to start either to-morrow or Friday to join her husband.

WOODFORD'S FAMILY LEAVING.

His Wife and Niece Start for Biarritz, but Miss Woodford Stays—Americans Make Plans.

MADRID, April 6—9 P. M.—Mrs. Woodford, wife of the United States Minister, accompanied by her niece and Lieut. G. L. Dyer, the United States Naval Attaché, left by the 8 o'clock train for Biarritz. Gen. Woodford bade them farewell at the station.

Considerable surprise is expressed at their departure "in view of the settlement;" but Miss Woodford remains, and it is explained that the others will soon return.

The staff of the United States Legation has left Madrid and probably will remain in Paris for the present.

It is understood arrangements have been concluded to place American citizens and their property throughout the country under the care of the British representatives in case the United States Minister, Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, is compelled to leave. It is said, however, that no instructions have yet been received by Gen. Woodford actually to take this step.

Say They Have Cause to Grumble.

If the Administration is disposed to grumble because it has heard something like a growl of dissatisfaction, some of those who are disappointed insist that they have cause to complain from the manner in which they have been treated. The newspaper representatives here have been assured from day to day by the Department of State and the White House that the message would be sent in to-day. Even very intimate friends of the President, who have been helpful in restraining the rising impatience of the people at what may have been improperly described as unnecessary delay, went to the Capitol this morning quite confident that the message would be read before Congress adjourned. That it would not be read was understood by a few members of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, and there were members of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs who were not surprised at the delay. A Senator, the mention of whose name would be an absolute guarantee of the sincerity of the words used, said immediately after the announcement by Senator Davis:

"The delay was not caused by any development of to-day. I saw a dispatch on Monday last in which the President asked

MORE DELAY FOR CUBA

President's Message Will Not Be Presented to Congress Before Monday.

CONSUL GENERAL LEE ASKS MORE TIME.

Says Lives of Americans in Cuba Would Not Be Safe After Publication of the Message.

Great Discontent in Congress and Among the Officials of the Army and Navy.

The President's message was not sent to Congress yesterday, and it was announced that it would be withheld until Monday.

The reason assigned for this delay was the receipt of a dispatch from Consul General Lee that all Americans could not be got off the island before the end of the week, and would be in grave peril if the message should be sent in to Congress before their departure.

Press dispatches from Madrid say that Spain has decided to concede the demands of this country in respect to the Cuban question, but it was stated last night by ex-Judge Day, Assistant Secretary of State, that his department had had no confirmation of the press dispatches, and that, in fact, there had been no negotiations with Spain since she rejected the propositions submitted by Mr. Woodford.

It may be that Spain is getting ready to yield, but the Madrid Government has not yet notified this country that it purposes to make any concessions.

The delay in

for just the postponement which he requested this afternoon."

Such statements as this soon met the explanation that the transmission of the dispatch was caused by requests from Lee to hold it back in consideration of the danger to which its publication would expose American citizens in Havana. At the Department of State, however, there were very incohsistent but assuring statements that Lee is not in immediate danger, and these statements are supported by dispatches in the Washington papers from Havana.

Until Congress understands better just what the reason was for putting off the publication of the message, the President will be subjected to impatient criticism by members and others. A Senator who is noted for his conservatism, and who is as humane in his feelings as any member of the body, indulged in what for him was very unusual language to express his mortification at the delay.

"It's humiliating," said he, "and the President, it seems to me, is unfortunately weakening us in the estimation of our own people and inviting Spain to offer us new provocation of contempt and insult. I am not a military man, but if I am not misinformed we are prepared now to force from Spain the concessions which she has refused to yield through diplomatic negotiation. We shall never obtain those concessions now except by a demonstration of our ability to compel Spain to yield. To be led into endless postponement and then gain not one point that we are supposed to have demanded from Spain will make us the laughing stock of nations."

House Informed After the Senate.

The House was kept in ignorance of the postponement of the message until after the delay was announced in the Senate. Then it was found that members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee had known that the President hoped to get more time when he set to-day for sending his message in. The precarious position of Consul General Lee in Havana was given as the reason for delay, just as it was in the Senate, but it was instantly pointed out that the delay was thought of as early as yesterday, and that it was not until this morning that the White House discovered that Mr. Lee was in immediate peril of assassination if the President should send in a message distasteful to the Spaniards in Havana.

"If Lee is to be in danger," said a member of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, "because the President is to send a message to Congress protesting against a murderous and brutal campaign in Cuba, the United States Government should not hesitate one hour before proceeding to sweep Spain from Cuba and provide that island with a Government that will let men live and enjoy the fruit of their labor."

Diligent inquiry to-night failed to elicit any other reason for the non-appearance of the message than that assigned by the President. Senators Sewell, Aldrich, Carter, Hanna, Foraker, and others say to-night that they have accepted the reasons given as the correct ones. Senator Aldrich does not believe that the President desired time to make his message stronger or weaker. "If it stands," said he, "it will be a vigorous, patriotic message, and I believe the people will be satisfied with it."

"It cannot be a weak or inoffensive message to the Spaniards," said a Western Republican Senator. "The President's course in protecting Gen. Lee by postponing the sending of the message makes that plain. If its words are of such character as to lead the President to believe that its publication will provoke Spain to war it will come pretty near to meeting a public demand, if this assumption is correct, those critics of the President who have been insisting that he would treat the Cuban question with hesitation or weakness will be as much surprised as the majority of American citizens will be gratified."

The war cloud has not passed. It has only lifted for a short time, according to the opinion of men who are just as clear now in their belief that war is justifiable as they were this morning, when they looked for warlike movements before the close of another day. To men like Senator Frye, who believes that war is inevitable, the delay of the message is irritating, but it is bowed to out of a spirit of great loyalty to the President, in whom the Congress has not yet lost confidence.

A Little Story About the Speaker.

A little story has gone the rounds to illustrate the state of Speaker Reed's mind. While he was at breakfast this morning at the Shoreham he opened a letter from ex-Gov. Morton. Mr. Morton appealed to Mr. Reed in this letter to use his utmost efforts to prevent a war. If necessary to convince the House of the importance of refraining from warlike action he hoped the Speaker would step down from the desk and, from the floor, address himself to the calm reason of the members and dissuade them from declaring for intervention and war.

"Dissuade them!" said Mr. Reed, with a smile. "Dissuade them! The Governor is too good. He might as well ask me to stand out in the middle of a Kansas waste and dissuade a cyclone. It can't be done with success."

Senator Mason furnished a story to illustrate a state of mind in Washington and Chicago. Chicago had an election yesterday, and it has been learned that it went against the Republicans, Senators Mason's own Congressional district, which usually gives a Republican majority of 15,000, having gone 2,000 Democratic. The Senator received a dispatch to-day from a personal friend, a Democrat. It did not refer to the election or the Cuban question. It was, as the Senator said, "irrevelant and impertinent." It read:

"If William McKinley should die, would Hanna still be President?"

A New York Representative relates this incident in connection with the postponement of the message:

"At 11 o'clock two ladies were at the White House ready to go to the Capitol to hear the message read. One of them asked the President at what time it would be received by the Senate. He told them that it would be there not earlier than 2 o'clock and not later than 3. About an hour later the Senate Sub-Committee of the Foreign Relations Committee was summoned, and less than two hours later the publication of the message was deferred for four days."

SCHEMES OF LEGISLATORS.

Radical Republicans Hold a Meeting —Proposition to Block Business Until the Message Appears.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Notwithstanding the impatience and disappointment caused among the Republican members of the House by the withholding of the President's message to-day, the frank statement of the President to the leaders and to several prominent Democrats that such a course was deemed absolutely necessary by Consul General Lee, to insure the safe departure of the Americans still in Cuba, has caused them to accept the situation in good faith.

Some of the most radical, after hearing the statements of those who saw the President, appeared satisfied. Those with whom the President talked came away with a very strong impression that the message would mean war unless Spain backed down squarely. One of those who have been very active in antagonizing delay say the message will be perfectly satisfactory to him and will fully meet the expectations of the country.

Pending the transmittal of the message, in view of the situation presented by the President, all plans looking to action in the House will be abandoned. But those who have been taking part in the radical movement, and who always admit the possibility that the time may come when they will have to part company with the President, are, according to the leaders of the movement, more determined than ever ultimately to obtain what they desire. They, however, are at present satisfied with the assurances they have received as to the character of the message. But this has not prevented them from organizing for possible contingencies.

The conference which was to have been held to-night after the message was in was abandoned, but fifty of those who originally inaugurated the movement met immediately after the House adjourned to discuss the situation. All who were not heartily in sympathy with them were invited to leave. Those at the meeting unanimously agreed to wait upon the message, but the movement for a caucus started by the President's supporters, which was also abandoned during the afternoon, exposed to them a danger upon which they had not reckoned—namely, that a caucus of Republicans might be called to bind them by the party action and place them in the position of bolters if the occasion arose for them to adopt an independent plan of action.

A committee of eight was therefore appointed to count noses, to watch the situation, and to devise ways and means to meet any tactics of the opposition. The committee is as follows: Messrs. Hopkins of Illinois, Lorrimer of Illinois, Tawney of Minnesota, Cooper of Wisconsin, Hepburn of Iowa, Bromwell of Ohio, Joy of Missouri, and Knox of Massachusetts. Several rather vigorous speeches in denunciation of any policy of delay were made in the course of the meeting, one by Mr. Smith of Illinois.

In order to emphasize this position a proposition was made to unite with the Democrats and block all legislation, adjourning from day to day, until the message appeared and the House had acted on the Cuban resolutions. But Mr. Hull of Iowa, who is pushing the Army Reorganization Bill, made such an effective plea to allow that bill to come to a vote that the proposition was temporarily abandoned. Whether it will be revived depends largely upon the course of events. It can be stated, however, that it is seriously contemplated.

One of the other chief developments of the day was the probability that, in the event of a split on the Republican side, the Democrats would unite with the radicals and allow the latter to force the issue. If the Democrats should seek to assume the aggressive, the chances are they would solidify the Republicans against them.

JOHN A. McCALL IN WASHINGTON.

He Tells the President He Can Have All the Money He Wants.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Early in the evening the President had a long conference by appointment with John A. McCall of New York. Mr. McCall is understood to have assured the President that the Government would be put to no embarrassment by a lack of money with which to prosecute a war. While he deprecated war and hoped that it might be averted, if it could not be, the whole people of the country would stand by the President, he thought, in maintaining a just contest.

It is said upon excellent authority that Mr. McCall expressed to the President his belief that within forty-eight hours he could raise among the financial institutions of New York alone $300,000,000, which the Government could have upon its own terms, and that if a popular subscription were called for $500,000,000 could be obtained in a few days.

Late to-night Mr. McCall said that he did not care to discuss his interview with the President.

"As to a war loan," said he, "we will not cross that bridge until we get to it. Everybody ought to deplore war, but when the President says war is inevitable the people will stand solidly with him. He can have all the money he wants."

BREWERS ON WAR TAXES.

Delegates Before the House Ways and Means Committee.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—A delegation representing the United States Brewers' Association appeared before the Ways and Means Committee of the House to-day and protested against the proposed increase of the tax on beer to meet war emergencies. The delegation consisted of Messrs. G. Thomann of New York City, Paul A. Seager of Baltimore, Robert Portner of Alexandria, Va., J. W. Brown of Brooklyn, and C. W. Wells of this city.

They cited the recent newspaper reports that the committee would double the beer tax and urged that there was no reason why the brewers should be subjected to such an additional tax when other lines remain exempt. Chairman Dingley explained that the increase had not been considered either by the committee or the House, but that if they wanted to state their views on that understanding they might do so.

The brewers said that if it became necessary to increase taxes all along the line they would raise no objection, but that it would necessitate in the case of retailers either raising the price per glass or furnishing less of the product for a given sum. In event of a war causing the tax to be raised from $1 to $2 per barrel, they asked that Congress provide a satisfactory rebate, as 15 per cent. should be allowed for spoilage from whatever cause. The committee adjourned without giving any assurance as to what would be done.

SECRETARY PORTER EXPLAINS.

Did Not Write the Criticism of Congress That Appeared in His Paper.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—In regard to an article in The Hartford Post criticising Congress, Secretary Porter said to-day:

"I have not written a line for my paper, The Hartford Post, during my residence of over a year in Washington. I have not had time to manage the editorial page of the paper, even if I had the inclination to do so under present circumstances. So far as the article which has caused criticism is concerned, I did not write it, nor did I see it until two days after its publication, at which time I promptly sent a telegram to the managing editor of The Post expressing disavowal and regret at the exaggerated tone of the article and cautioning the editor to be more careful in the future.

"I am on the pleasantest terms of friendship or acquaintanceship with a large number of Representatives and Senators, and any unfair or discourteous criticism of Congress would be directly opposite to my feelings and record. No one regrets more than myself any misapprehension which the publication of this article may have caused."

MANY WHITE HOUSE CALLERS.

Officials Who See the President About the Message Leave Full of Weariness.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The White House to-day presented a scene of confusion and dismay. There was hurrying to and fro, hasty dispatching of messengers to and from the State Department and to and from Congress, hurried conferences with delegations from the one and officials of the other, and a general appearance of irresolution and rout. It looked as if a tremendous effort was making to do something, while everything that had been done was really being undone.

Up to almost noon, despite these signs of uneasiness and restiveness, the President repeatedly said that the message was going to the houses of Congress in a short time. A little while before noon, a series of conferences were held between the President and Judge Day, Assistant Secretary of State, and delegations of members from the House and Senate. Then it was learned that the President had seen fit to withhold the document, in order to make a few verbal changes, and that it would not go to Congress before 2 o'clock. This time was soon stretched to 3, and finally it was learned that there would be no message at all until Monday. The settlement of the Cuban question had been postponed for another week.

Attorney General Griggs was an early caller at the White House, and had a conference with Mr. McKinley. He was soon followed by Representative Adams of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, and by Senators Frye, Spooner, and Fairbanks, all of whom conferred with the President for some time. Secretaries Alger and Long came next, and soon afterward Judge Day came over from the State Department in answer to a call. This was before the hour appointed for sending in the message. After they left, it was given out that the message would be forwarded to Congress shortly. Just before 1 o'clock Senators Davis, Lodge, and Frye of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee came over from the Capitol in response to a message asking for a conference. Several Representatives dropped in, also in response to an invitation from the President. When these conferences broke up it was learned that the message had been abandoned, and would not be sent to Congress till Monday. The reason given was that a telegram had been received from Gen. Lee stating that unless the message was deferred until Monday, he would not answer for the safety of the Americans in Cuba.

Every one concerned looked the picture of desperation and weariness after this conclusion had been reached. Judge Day seemed to have aged by several years from the time he went into the conference, and the members of Congress were haggard and careworn. The President himself soon retired into the privacy of the part of the White House that may be called his residence, and shortly after went out for an airing and for rest.

Several officials of the Administration called informally at the White House to-night and had conferences with the President. Secretaries Long, Bliss, Alger, and Attorney General Griggs were among those who saw the President, but all left the executive mansion early, and the President retired before 11 o'clock. None of them would discuss the situation in any of its phases.

SENATOR ALLEN TO GOV. HOLCOMB.

Offers His Services to His Country Through Nebraska.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Senator Allen of Nebraska sent the following dispatch to-day:

"Hon Silas A. Holcomb, Lincoln, Neb.:

"Tender all State troops without delay. In the event of war with Spain I desire through you to place my services at the disposal of the State to serve the country in such capacity as you may assign me in defense of the National honor and for Cuban liberty. WILLIAM V. ALLEN."

MERCHANTS FOR A FREE CUBA.

Their Board of Trade Unanimously Declares in Favor of Independence for the Island.

At the meeting of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Board of Trade of New York yesterday afternoon in the rooms of the Board, at 261 Fifth Avenue, the following resolution, introduced by President C. C. Shayne, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That your Committee on National Affairs believes that Spain is responsible for the loss of the Maine, and that a substantial indemnity and an ample reparation should be demanded from Spain without further delay. And, further, the committee believes the independence of Cuba should be recognized and should be secured with peace if possible, but by force of arms if necessary.

President Shayne, in the course of a review of the situation in support of his resolution, denied that the interest of this country was purely an ethical one. He read a report which showed that the United States had lost $667,000,000 in three years during the war. He went into detail, showing the financial damage to this country by the cessation of the sugar-growing industry and the decline of the tobacco industry in Cuba. If the present conditions continued, he said, it would embarrass hundreds of American business men. He spoke of the chaos into which the uncertainty has thrown the importers, and pointed out that autonomy was a snare and a delusion. He also quoted Mr. Coudert as an authority on international law showing that this country had a right to intervene.

Andrew Patterson created some surprise by the introduction of a resolution advising the board "to petition Congress to call upon the civilized nations of the world to arbitrate the present grave complications between Spain and the United States."

On motion of Vice President R. M. Walters Mr. Patterson's resolution was referred to the National Legislative Committee, with instructions to report at the May meeting.

Mr. Shayne's resolutions were telegraphed to Speaker Reed, Vice President Hobart, and President McKinley. There will be a meeting of the board on Monday, and a subscription will be started to equip a regiment.

Jersey City Board of Trade Acts.

The Jersey City Board of Trade to-night adopted resolutions indorsing the course of President McKinley in the present crisis and calling on Congress to sustain him. The board also adopted a resolution expressing sympathy for the suffering Cubans. A final resolution pledged the board to form and equip a regiment in the event of war, the body to be known as the Jersey City Guard and to be raised under such conditions as the President or Gov. Voorhees may prescribe.

LACK OF CARGO, NOT FEAR.

Why the Ward Line Steamer Niagara Will Not Sail To-day.

It was announced yesterday that the Ward Line steamer Niagara, which was to sail to-day for Nassau and ports south of Cuba, would be withdrawn. This, however, it was said, did not indicate that it was dangerous for steamers to go to Cuba, and the reason given was lack of cargo. The Vigilancia sailed yesterday, taking all the freight that it had been intended to send by the Niagara.

President H. P. Booth of the Ward Line said that the increase of insurance risks had caused shippers to decrease their orders. As far as the situation in Cuba was concerned, Mr. Booth said, the Ward Line steamers would continue going there, as usual, and he believed that there would be plenty of time for all Americans to leave Cuba. He did not think that there were over 500 Americans, both native and naturalized, in Havana.

THE PRESIDENT UPHELD.

The Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen Send Him a Telegram.

After the meeting of the General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen at 18 East Sixteenth Street last night the following telegram was sent to President McKinley:

To William McKinley, President of the United States:

At a regular meeting, held to-night, of the General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen of the City of New York, an organization in active existence since its inception in 1785, it was unanimously resolved to convey to the President of the United States an expression of the society's profound appreciation of his calmness, wisdom, and patriotism in the present critical juncture in National affairs, approving of all that he has done and has caused to be done, and to express confidence in his judgment in any crisis that may confront the Nation, and commending heartily his purpose to evade the issue of war until all honorable means for peace are exhausted.

ROBERT CHRISTIE, President.

Richard D. Davies, Secretary.

The meeting at which the resolution was passed was well attended and the members were enthusiastic.

MARINE INSURANCE RATES HIGH.

Few Risks Including Marine War Hazard Written Yesterday.

The high charges on marine insurance policies containing the war clause, which have prevailed for the last five days, were maintained rigidly yesterday, and there was little disposition on the part of the underwriters to accept the small amount of the business which was offered. Shipping interests generally appeared disposed to await the outcome of the next few days before venturing on the high seas.

Inquiries concerning vessels due to sail a fortnight hence, which were made in several offices, brought an absolute refusal to quote rates on such risks.

About "Bombardment Insurance."

BOSTON, April 6.—The opinion of the Attorney General as to the legality of writing "bombardment insurance" has been asked by the Insurance Commissioner.

CAPT. E. L. ZALINSKI ILL.

The Inventor Recovering from the Grip at Roosevelt Hospital.

Capt. E. L. Zalinski, retired, United States Army, the inventor of the dynamite gun, was taken from his rooms, 119 West Forty-third Street, about ten days ago to Roosevelt Hospital, where he now occupies a room in the private ward. He was suffering from an attack of grip, which, it was thought, could be treated better at the hospital than at his home.

A reporter who called on Capt. Zalinski yesterday afternoon found him sitting up in bed and eating a hearty meal. He said that his illness had no dangerous features, and that he hoped to be out by Friday. When asked about his plans in case of war, he said:

"If war comes, of course I am at my country's service. It goes without saying that every retired officer will do for his country what he is ordered to do."

Capt. Zalinski said that he had not been looking forward with any special interest to testing his dynamite gun on the Spaniards.

Carried Hose Up Sixteen Stories.

From The Chicago Inter Ocean, April 1.

Several thousand people watched Carl Eidfeldt and Patrick Hickey, members of Truck No. 1, carry a lead of hose from a chemical engine up sixteen stories on the fire escape of the Monadnock Building yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. As the two firemen neared the top of their perilous ascent up the slender iron ladder the crowd cheered. Most of the spectators thought it was an exhibition drill, but the arrival of more fire apparatus and the appearance at all the upper windows of anxious-looking tenants soon undeceived them. The enthusiasm of the crowd again demonstrated itself when the last platform at the sixteenth-story window was reached and the two truckmen disappeared into the building. The 350 feet of hose had been carried up to the top of the building in less than two minutes. The fire occurred in the storerooms of the Perkins Electric Switch Manufacturing Company on the seventeenth floor. Many of the tenants of the building, however, knew nothing of the fire for some time after. On each floor of the building leads of hose are connected directly with the house pumps. The fire was practically out when Truckmen Eidfeldt and Hickey appeared with their line from the chemical, and they finished the job in short order. It took every inch of the 350 feet of hose the chemical carried to reach the blaze, and this was done easy by getting it up on a straight line by the fire escape.

Crimes Against the Ballot Box.

From The Philadelphia Record.

A Philadelphia Grand Jury has suggested that illegal voting and ballot-box stuffing shall be made unpardonable crimes. This would require a change of the State Constitution. The Governor is empowered, upon the recommendation of the Board of Pardons, to grant pardons in all cases except impeachments. In a Republic where everything is made to depend upon the fair exercise of the elective suffrage, it would indeed be well enough to put crimes against the ballot in the unpardonable list.

FOR THE AUXILIARY FLEET

El Sol and El Norte Will Go to the Navy Yard To-morrow to be Refitted.

WORK ON THEM TO BE HURRIED

The Creole, Now the Solace, Has Started for Newport News to be Made a Hospital Ship—Labors of the Inspection Board.

The Morgan Line steamers El Sol and El Norte, which were purchased by the Government on Tuesday for use as auxiliary cruisers, will be taken to the navy yard to-morrow to receive the necessary alterations to fit them for service as warships. The work will be carried out rapidly. There is an ample supply of rapid-fire guns for these vessels, as well as for others that may be purchased later.

The Cromwell Line steamer Creole, recently purchased as a hospital ship, sailed yesterday morning for Newport News, where the work of fitting her out will be accomplished. She has been rechristened the Solace. It is understood that considerable disappointment was expressed by members of the Examining Board that such a splendid vessel was destined for a hospital ship. She was perfectly adapted for use as an auxiliary cruiser.

A Steam Pilot Boat Offered.

Capt. George W. Bellevou of the steam pilot boat Philadelphia of the Philadelphia Pilots' Association visited the offices of the board yesterday morning and offered the vessel for sale. The board is said to have favored the proposition. The Philadelphia is 148 feet over all and 25 foot beam, 11 feet 6 inches in depth, and has a record of 14½ knots. She has a water carrying capacity of from 35 to 40 tons, and an evaporator of 37,000 gallons daily capacity. She also carries an electric plant of 10,000 candle power, and was finished about nine months ago. It was stated that the lowest selling price is $125,000. It is likely that an inspection will be made of her in a day or two.

It was learned yesterday that the Government had not yet bought the mosquito fleet up to a desirable size, when members of the board inspected the two steel ocean-going tugs Edward H. Mead and Thomas P. Fowler of the Cornell Steamboat Company. These vessels are about 122 feet long, 20 feet in beam, with a tonnage of 250, and are among the best of their class.

Lieut. Commander Kelly and Constructor Tawresey went to the Erie Basin yesterday morning and inspected the steamship Catania. The vessel flies the English flag, but her owners, R. M. Sloman & Co., it is said, have offered her at a low figure in order to facilitate their plan of securing American registry for other vessels of their fleet. The Catania was built in Glasgow in 1881. She is 315 feet long, 35 feet in beam, and 22 feet deep, with a tonnage of 2,216. It was intimated by the board that there was every likelihood of her being purchased for use as a distiller ship.

Chief Engineer Dixon also inspected the old steamship Matteawan, of the Lone Star Line. She may be secured for use as a collier or a distiller ship.

Talk About a Gunboat.

There was a rumor afloat yesterday that a gunboat, built for some Central American Government in 1896, had been offered for sale to the Naval Board. She is said to be a twin screw vessel, 208 feet long, 30 feet beam, and 565 tons' displacement. It is said she is within forty-eight hours' sail of Key West, and may be delivered there. A member of the board intimated that he knew of such a vessel, but refused to say whether the board had anything to do with negotiations for her purchase. He refused to tell her name or to what Government she belonged.

The American liner St. Louis sailed on schedule time yesterday for Southampton. There were those who thought up to the last moment that the steamer would be held pending developments upon the receipt of the President's message by Congress, but no such orders were received. The St. Louis will not return to this port before April 23, and her sister-ship, the St. Paul, is not due to arrive here until a week from Saturday. It thus appears to be the intention of the Government not to utilize these two vessels for the present at least. The reason, it is said, is that the amount of money asked for these two vessels would purchase four smaller steamships even more suitable perhaps for protected cruisers.

NO MORE WARSHIPS BOUGHT.

Refusals Obtained on Several Building Abroad; Others Declined Because Work Is Not Sufficiently Advanced.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The Navy Department has about exhausted the field offered by the European shipyards for the purchase of ships for the United States Navy. The officials are still keeping a watchful eye for the acquisition of any vessels that possibly may be obtained abroad, but they do not believe if war occurs soon any can be obtained.

It has been the aim of the department primarily to secure ships that were finished or in such a stage of completion that they could be transferred to the United States promptly before hostilities commenced. In many cases where ships were in process of construction the department has obtained refusals on them which will preclude the acquisition by Spain should an attempt be made by that nation to get them.

There are a number of vessels now building on which several months' work is necessary before they are completed, but the Government is not anxious regarding these. Included in this class are three torpedo boats and the armored cruisers Giuseppe Garibaldi and Varese, which a Rome dispatch reports as having been sold—the torpedo boats to this country, the Giuseppe Garibaldi to Spain and the Varese to the Argentine Republic. The torpedo boats, it is stated, have not been contracted for by the United States, notwithstanding contrary reports, for the reason that they will not be finished for from three to five months, and the United States therefore does not care for them.

It is probably true, it is stated at the department, that the Garibaldi has been sold to Spain and the Varese to Argentina, but as neither will be finished for several months, the Government preferred not to take the chances of having them lying in the foreign shipyards should hostilities begin before they are complete. The Varese and the Garibaldi are sister ships to the Cristobal Colon, one of the formidable Spanish cruisers now at Cadiz. The United States had the opportunity to purchase all the vessels mentioned in the Rome dispatch.

CRUISER DIOGENES LEAVES LONDON.

Will Join the Somers at Weymouth—New Names for Purchased Vessels.

GRAVESEND, England, April 6.—The United States cruiser Diogenes, Lieut. John J. Knapp in command, passed here at 3:40 P. M. to-day, bound for Weymouth, where the United States torpedo boat Somers, commanded by Ensign C. W. Hazleton, arrived on Monday.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—New names, more in accordance with their probable duties in the near future, have been given to several of the vessels recently purchased by the Navy Department.

The cruiser Diogenes, purchased in England, is to be called the Topeka, after the capital city of Kansas.

The small unnamed torpedo boat purchased in England is to be called the Manly, in honor of Capt. John Manly, a distinguished sailor of the days of the Revolution. In 1776 Capt. Manly captured the Nancy, and subsequently, while in command of the Hancock he captured the Fox. In 1779 he captured two British privateers.

The coal transport Saturn, acquired by purchase, will retain her present name.

The Algonquin, received by transfer from the Revenue Cutter Service, is to be called the Accomac.

The Mayflower, received by transfer from the Lighthouse Service, is to be named the Sylphide.

The yacht Sovereign, acquired by purchase, is to be called the Scorpion.

The Creole, acquired by purchase, and intended for use as a hospital ship, is to be called the Solace.

SHIPS FOR THE AMERICAN LINE.

The Normannia and Columbia May Replace the St. Louis and St. Paul.

HAMBURG, April 6.—It is reported that the Hamburg-American Line steamers Normannia and Columbia will shortly proceed to Southampton with the view of being fitted by the American Line in the event of the American Line steamers St. Paul and St. Louis being taken by the United States Government as auxiliary cruisers.

At the office of the Hamburg-American Packet Company in this city it was said that nothing was known here about the reported engagement of the Columbia and Normannia. Any transaction of that kind, they said, would be conducted at the main office in Europe.

The Columbia is 468 feet long and is built of steel, with twin screws and three stacks. She was built at Birkenhead, England, in 1889. She displaces 10,000 tons, her horse power is 12,300, and her bunker capacity 3,000 tons of coal in her ordinary transatlantic voyages. This capacity can be largely increased when not carrying passengers. Her ordinary speed is 19.1 knots and under forced draught over 20 knots.

The Normannia was built by the Fairfield Company in Glasgow in 1890. The same general plan was followed as in the Columbia, but alterations were made after the Columbia had made her initial run, with the result that the Normannia is a somewhat faster boat. She makes 19.7 knots in her ordinary voyages and can do better than 21 knots if pushed. She is 500 feet long, and has a displacement of 12,500 tons. She is propelled by two screws and has three funnels.

THE CINCINNATI RUNS AGROUND.

She Sticks for Two Hours on a Mudbank at Key West.

KEY WEST, Fla., April 6.—The United States cruiser Cincinnati ran aground on a mudbank in the middle of the harbor this morning. She was returning from patrol duty. After two hours' work the tugs Merritt and Leyden succeeded in pulling her off. As the cruiser grounded at high water it is believed she has not sustained any damage, but a regular naval inquiry will be made.

Miantonomoh's Machinery Broken.

PHILADELPHIA, April 6.—It was reported at League Island Navy Yard to-day that the delay in the departure of the big monitor Miantonomoh is due to a break in her machinery. The breaking is said to have occurred last Friday while the engines were being tested. Since then a large force of machinists have been at work day and night on her, and it is expected that the repairs will be completed by to-morrow.

GOV. BLACK WANTS TWO STEAMERS.

Requests that They Be Assigned by the Department to New York.

ALBANY, April 6.—This telegram was sent to Assistant Secretary of Navy Roosevelt to-day:

"Gov. Black requests me to ask that you assign two of the new coastwise steamers to the naval militia of this State. They will promptly man them for the defense of New York Harbor, Long Island Sound, and any other point designated by your department.

"C. WHITNEY TILLINGHAST, 2d,
"Adjutant General."

MARE ISLAND'S DAMAGE $342,000.

Congress to be Asked for Money to Repair the Earthquake's Havoc.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—A telegram received at the Navy Department to-day from the commanding officer at the Mare Island Navy Yard showed that the amount of damage suffered from the earthquake shock last week is $342,000.

Secretary Long will ask Congress for a special appropriation to make the necessary repairs to the buildings and other property damaged.

FLEET IN ASIA READY FOR SEA.

Warships at Hongkong Have Secured a British Collier.

HONGKONG, April 6.—The United States fleet is preparing to go to sea, and supplies of coal are being purchased for the use of the American warships.

The United States authorities have purchased the British steamer Nanshan, which will be used as a store ship.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The purchase of coal by the American fleet in Chinese waters is simply in accordance with the desires of the department to keep a full supply on hand and to be ready for any emergency that may occur.

The following ships comprise the Asiatic squadron: The first-class cruiser Olympia, the second-class cruisers Boston and Raleigh, the third-rate cruiser Monocacy, and the gunboat Petrel.

The Nashan, which the United States has bought, is a collier designed to carry coal for the fleet. She has 3,000 tons of coal aboard, and is now with the Asiatic squadron.

DELAY REGRETTED AT KEY WEST.

Capt. Sampson Thinks that It Will Be Advantageous to Spain.

KEY WEST, Fla., April 6.—Intense disappointment was exhibited by all hands on board the flagship New York when a bulletin regarding a reported settlement of the Spanish difficulty was read.

Until 6 o'clock this evening it was confidently believed the fleet would sail to-morrow or Friday for Havana or Puerto Rico, and the pacific news came like a bombshell.

Capt. Sampson read the dispatch with eager interest, after which it was read at the messes. He believes that there is still a chance that the American Navy may have an opportunity to show what it is made of; but he regrets the delay, which, he thinks, will enable Spain to bring her torpedo flotilla and other cruisers to these waters. All the high naval authorities on board maintain that Spain should not be allowed to bring her forces over pending a settlement.

CAPT. SAMPSON'S REINFORCEMENTS.

Gunboat Helena at Key West—The Amphitrite on the Way.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Capt. Sampson's big war fleet at Key West will be still further strengthened in a day or two by the arrival of the double turreted monitor Amphitrite, which left Beaufort this morning for that purpose.

KEY WEST, April 6.—The United States gunboat Helena arrived here this morning from Lisbon and anchored in the harbor.

THE CALUMET LEAVES CHICAGO.

Revenue Cutter Starts to Join the Mosquito Fleet.

CHICAGO, April 6.—At last the cutter Calumet has departed to join the mosquito fleet. After many delays, after twice starting, only to be turned back, the revenue cutter left at 7:30 o'clock this morning.

Capt. Cushing had been waiting for twenty-four hours for the heavy sea to go down. It was not that he feared for the safety of his boat, but for his coal supply. It is quite a long stretch to Manitowoc for a small boat, and the Calumet's boilers devour coal like a tramp at a table d'hôte. When the sun rose this morning all was calm and peaceful, and Capt. Cushing gave the order to start.

The Norwood Goes to Charleston, S. C.

TRENTON, N. J., April 6.—The steam yacht Norwood, built for Norman L. Munro, and one of the fastest in the world, left here to-day for Charleston, S. C. The Norwood arrived at Weller's shipyard last night, and immediately took on coal, which was paid for in cash by the Captain. Assemblyman Frank Weller, proprietor of the shipyard, said that the Captain of the boat told him that the yacht was being taken to Charleston with the idea of selling her to the Government. The Norwood is about sixty feet long, and has a speed of twenty-eight knots.

Work on the Old Monitors' Boilers.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The Bureau of Steam Engineering of the Navy Department is actively engaged in the work of preparing for the installation of the new boilers that are to be put into the old monitors that recently Long Island several weeks ago to put into commission for use in the navy. Through the extraordinary efforts adopted by the bureau the officials expect they will be able to install these boilers in about thirty days—a task that under ordinary circumstances would require six months' work.

The Katahdin Ordered to Sea.

PHILADELPHIA, April 6.—Orders were received at the navy yard to-day directing that the ram Katahdin proceed to sea to-morrow morning. The ship's destination is not known.

GUNS AND AMMUNITION BOUGHT.

Acquired in England and France by the United States Government.

LONDON, April 6.—The British steamer Marengo, Capt. Bingham, of the Wilson Line, which sailed from Newcastle on March 29 for New York, had on board fourteen of the most modern guns, seventy-six tons of gun carriages, ninety-two tons of empty shells, and eleven tons of empty cartridges, all from the Elswick Works.

PARIS, April 6.—The United States Government has purchased in France a considerable quantity of ammunition and a number of quick-firing guns.

Spain Buys Small Arms in England.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—A telegram received at the Navy Department to-day from the naval attaché at London announced that the Spanish officials have contracted with Vickers Sons, Maxim, and other European manufacturers for the prompt delivery of 300,000 stand of small arms and the necessary ammunition.

Lieut. Colwell to Take a Rest.

PARIS, April 6.—Lieut. W. S. Sims, the United States naval attaché, will shortly relieve Lieut. J. C. Colwell, the United States naval attaché in London, while the latter recuperates.

Enlisting at Columbia.

An effort has been started at Columbia University to form a division of the Second Battalion of Naval Militia, to be composed entirely of graduates and undergraduates of the university. The movement was started by T. L. Chrystie, '92, and Mr. Langthorne, '92. According to arrangements already made, the division will be allowed to choose its own officers and will be in charge of a graduate of the Naval Academy. If the present trouble with Spain blows over, any member of the division, if he wishes, may obtain his release. P. H. Goodwin, '99; S. J. Bruce, 1901; A. S. Williams, 1900; H. S. Waterman, '99, and T. Simonds, special, have already expressed their intention to join, and have formed themselves into a committee to procure enlistment of others. Yesterday afternoon it was said that nearly fifty men had consented to join the division.

THE RIGHT OF SEARCH.

Frederic R. Coudert Sustains the Statement Made by Sir Richard Webster in Parliament.

Frederic R. Coudert, who is considered an authority on international law, referring to the statement made two days ago in the British House of Commons by Sir Richard Webster, to the effect that neither the United States nor Spain, in the event of war between the two countries, would be affected by the Declaration of Paris, and that the right of search by them for contraband of war undoubtedly exists, said yesterday:

"It is plain, as stated by Sir Richard Webster, that the rights of Spain and the United States respectively as belligerents should not be affected by the Declaration of Paris. This is a truism. They were neither of them parties to the congress and cannot be bound by its results. I cannot agree, however, to the proposition that the United States has lost any rights by expressing opinions in the past upon the subjects now coming up in practical shape.

"The rights of the United States must be regulated by the measure of her obligations. Her obligations and duties are not to be increased in the one case or diminished in the other by expressions of opinion on the part of those who might happen to be temporarily at the head of the Government. Especially is this so if those expressions were not acquiesced in by Spain. It is certainly an untenable proposition to hold that the United States have estopped themselves from the exercise of a right which Spain continues to possess, because the former has expressed opinions against and the latter in favor of such supposed right.

"As to treaties, I have very little faith in treaties between two nations that have gone to war. The only way to enforce a treaty is by representation diplomatically or by a declaration of hostilities. When the two nations are actually plunged into war there is no room for either; the period for both has passed.

"As to the right of search itself, it does not seem to be different in extent from what it has heretofore been. As the neutral is bound to abstain from giving aid to either side, his ships are prohibited from carrying contraband of war, and in order to ascertain that fact either belligerent is at liberty to search the vessel that carries a neutral flag. There are some restrictions of a vague character as to this right; for instance, as to the ways in which it may be exercised, &c. Manifestly, a ship ostensibly bound to a Northern port, sailing on a northerly course, and at a great distance from Cuba, would not be reasonably subject to an examination. The mere fact that she was searched under the circumstances that did not point to a presumption against her would make the searching party open to the charge of unnecessarily annoying a neutral, but the right itself as it formerly existed remains intact.

"What is contraband of war seems to be pretty well settled, although some questions may arise by reason of the developments of steam navigation. Arms, munitions of war, and the like are, of course, within the prohibited relation. How far coal may be contraband depends to a great extent upon circumstances, and it may or may not be classed in that category. On the whole, however, it is safe to assume that the rules that have been established heretofore and considered binding upon all civilized nations would apply were Spain and the United States to come into armed conflict."

STATE DEPARTMENT CONCURS.

Declaration of Paris Anent Privateering Cannot Affect International Law.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The views of Sir Richard Webster as to the right in the event of war of search of neutral ships by Spain or the United States are concurred in by the State Department. It is pointed out that the capture of contraband is legitimate during hostilities and that search is necessary to determine the character of a ship's cargo. It is also held here that Sir Richard Webster's statement as to the status of Spain and the United States under the Declaration of Paris is correct.

The fact that neither Spain nor this country is a signatory of the Paris convention has caused considerable discussion as to the possibility of privateering in the event of war. It has been suggested that the powers might attempt to treat the privateers of either nation as pirates. An official of the State Department said to-day, however, that no real fears are entertained on this ground.

He pointed out that it has been held by the best authorities of international law that the Declaration of Paris that "privateering is and remains abolished" is merely a compact and cannot affect international law; consequently no nation, by reason of its being a member of the Paris treaty, can treat privateers of non-signatories as pirates, nor is it prohibited from using privateers itself when at war with a nation not a member

CONGRESS WAITS IN VAIN

Greater Crowds Than Ever Invade the Capitol Only to be Disappointed.

THE NEWS TOLD IN THE SENATE

What Body, in Executive Session, Hears the Request from the President—The Crowd Not Amiable—How the House Was Informed.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—"Manaña!" "To-morrow!" "Hereafter!" "At a more convenient opportunity!" These were remarks heard along the halls of the Capitol this afternoon from the disappointed ones who had made up the intensely expectant crowd in the galleries of the House and of the Senate, attracted by positive assurances from authoritative persons that to-day the President's message would be made known, and to-morrow Congress would be at liberty to direct what action, if any, was essential to enforce the desire of the American people. The crowd had expected war. Delay was presented instead.

The President has asked for delay. It has been granted officially with obedient promptness, but the men who have assented to further postponement are exercising their individual right and expressing their personal convictions in language that may not be discreet or creditable, but that certainly reveals their feelings.

Not knowing all the reasons of the Executive, and hearing all the explanations that involve accusations of interest somewhere in the sensitiveness of the stock market, the simple people who do not deal in stocks, and who are moved by more or less undiluted patriotism, allow their pent-up feelings to have way over their judgment and the solicitude of the Administration, and murmur a demand for action—a policy that shall be asserted without wavering and with the rigor that is indispensable to success

The Crowds in the Chambers.

All the people that the galleries of the Senate and the House would hold occupied the seats this morning long before the hour for the rapping of the gavels and the prayers of the respective Chaplains.

In the Senate the ticket holders had filled up nearly all the places by 9 o'clock; even the diplomatic gallery was full. Ten diplomatic officers and twenty ladies, some of whom were not connected in any way with the Embassies or Legations, held the thirty seats provided for representatives of foreign countries. The Spanish Legation was not represented. Just outside in the hall were Count Lichterveide, the Belgian Minister, and Mr. Grip, the Swedish Minister, with several others, unable to enter any gallery, and only permitted to remain in the hall by the grace of the doorkeepers. Seats in the Executive gallery had been reserved for a party from the White House, but their occupants were late in coming.

Senator Proctor Applauded.

Senator Proctor of Vermont was the first Senator to make his appearance on the floor. As he quietly wended his way through the desks to his seat the people in the galleries recognized him and a slight ripple of applause ran through the great crowd. Mr. Proctor seemed to be embarrassed by the attention which he attracted, and soon afterward disappeared in the cloak room.

Three hours had passed before the Vice President took his seat in the rostrum and rapped for order. Solid rows of people looked down upon the almost unbroken rows of Senators. An air of eager expectancy, that could be felt, and the like of which had not been known in the chamber for many years, was breathed by every occupant of the chamber. Chaplain Milburn, maintaining his reputation for conservatism, made his invocation brief, general, and calm, without special reference to any occasion.

The Routine Work in the Senate.

Then came the round of ordinary business. Senator after Senator offered petitions. To the strangers in the gallery this served as an introduction. "The Senator from Nebraska" offered "sundry petitions," then came "the Senator from Pennsylvania" and others, each clearly announced by Vice President Hobart. Then the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill was taken up on Mr. Allison's motion. The spectators, soon weary of this routine, began to watch the door for the appearance of a "message from the President."

It did not come in the way it was expected, but one came.

Soon after the Senate opened, Senator Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, received a dispatch from the White House, asking him to hasten there at once with some members of his committee. Mr. Davis, Mr. Lodge, and Mr. Frye at once left the Chamber for the White House. Their going was not generally observed. Everybody, however, noticed the consultation that took place at once between Senators Elkins, Hale, Hanna, and Aldrich, on the floor. The report spread about that Lee had been ordered back from Havana; that he was to sail at 1 o'clock, and that the President would delay sending in the message until he had left the harbor and had escaped the danger of resentful shot or sub-marine mines.

Miss Cisneros Present.

The Senatorial messengers reappeared with as little dramatic show as they had departed. The tired people in the galleries plucked up spirit. Mrs. John A. Logan, with a large party, including Miss Cisneros, in the Senatorial reserved gallery, attacked the luncheons with which they had come provided.

Suddenly the Senators began to arrange themselves in little groups. Down at the front there was a group about Senator Davis, including McMillan, Lodge, Aldrich, Frye, Allison, and Sewell. They talked eagerly and audibly, disregarding the debate on the pending bill. Out of this little circle issued the motion of Senator Davis that the Senate proceed to the consideration of executive business.

The Senate did not at first understand. It voted, but the point was made that a quorum was not voting. That made a roll call necessary. The roll call disclosed the presence of seventy-three Senators, evidently a quorum, and then the motion was decided to be carried, although there was a strong chorus of noes. Two thousand persons who had been "early birds" and secured places from which to hear what the President would say were turned out and driven down to the lower hall.

Mr. Davis Explains the Delay.

The doors were closed, and then Senator Davis, speaking for the President, explained the delay that had occurred and asked for more time. The President, he told the Senate, with the approval of his Cabinet, had told the members of the Senate who called upon him, at his request, that the circumstances existing in Havana and other parts of Cuba constrained him to request the Senate to permit him to put off the transmission of his message until Monday.

Consul General Lee, Mr. Davis said, had telegraphed the Department of State that it would be impossible to get out of Cuba all the Americans who desired to go inside of three or four days. The message of the President, the Consul General believed, if it were a message for intervention, would inflame the Spanish at Havana, and probably result in the murder of American citizens and the destruction or confiscation of their property.

The Plea for Postponement.

Senator Lodge and Senator Frye repeated the report and admonitions of the President. Time should be afforded, they insisted, for every citizen of the United States to get away before a blow should be struck by Spain or by the United States. To force an outbreak now would be to imperil life, and a postponement of the message would not affect the success of the policy marked out by the President.

The Democrats asked to be assured that Gen. Lee was really believed to be in peril, and then consented to abide by the wish of the President. The bells were rung, the gallery doors were reopened, the ejected spectators swarmed back to their places, and then soon streamed out again upon the far speedily circulated report that the message would not be received to-day. It was a disappointed throng, and it was not amiable in its disappointment.

THE SCENE IN THE HOUSE.

Over 3,000 Persons Eager to Hear the Message that Did Not Come.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Like an army besieging a citadel the people closed in upon the corridors leading to the hall of the House as early as 8 o'clock and until the opening of the doors at 9. The garrison of policemen had difficulty in keeping back the ever-swelling ranks. The galleries of the great chamber have a seating capacity of 2,500, but before the hour for opening them arrived many more than that number had gathered, bent on effecting an entrance, and ten minutes after the doors had been swung back not a seat was left around the huge square save in the diplomatic and reserved galleries, and even those were filled before the day's proceedings began.

The gallery doorways were crowded with patient onlookers, who, unable to get seats, stood for hours in uncomfortable positions. And the rows of steps leading down from tier to tier were made to do duty as benches. Up to the hour of noon the floor of the House itself was made gay by the presence of the wives, daughters, and guests of members, who, despairing of seats in the gallery, took refuge there until the floor was cleared at noon.

Waiting for the Message.

From 9 o'clock until 12 the eager throng sat and waited, watched the members gather, and talked of war. The inclined planes of solid humanity about the vast parallelogram formed a monster frame inclosing the august body assembled on the floor, which, in the expectation of almost every component of the onlooking mass, might so soon supply a picture of war. While the thousands waited, a hum of animated conversation arose like the noise of far-off waters. A score of newspaper artists in the press gallery sketched the features of the noble scene, and men and women felt the pleasurable tingle of the near presence of a world crisis. Conspicuous on the floor serenely reading a morning paper, was white-haired Galusha A. Grow, the only member of the House who was serving in it when war was declared in 1861.

The falling of the Speaker's gavel and the Chaplain's brief prayer stilled the roar of mingled voices for a moment only, and it broke forth again as the tedious reading of the Journal went on.

The people were there for another thing. There was a pricking up of ears when Mr. Bailey of Texas arose, but his talk was not of war, only of the families of members being shut out of the galleries, and served to bring the admission from the Speaker that he had reserved some extra seats for himself in the members' gallery.

The Patience of the Crowd.

The early impression of the visitors was that the message would come in immediately after the reading of the Journal, but a story was soon circulated that it would not come in until 3 o'clock, and the multitude settled itself in patience to wait.

Meantime the belligerent appetite of the assemblage was appeased in a measure by the discussion of the Army Reorganization bill. Anything relating to the military was felt to be timely, and as the various speakers did not fail to refer frequently to the imminence of war, those who had come to hear a warlike message reflected that they were not altogether wasting time. But it was hard work waiting, and as the hands of the clock dropped slowly toward 2 the members of the House and the spectators in the galleries began to grow nervous and impatient. The air of expectation began to give way to one of depression. The brightness of the morning hours disappeared, several times clouds obscured the sun and produced an atmosphere of gloom in the hall. The positive information that the message would not be sent in at all today first reached the press gallery, which had been as closely packed as the rest of the chamber.

Spreading of the News.

Then it was heard in the diplomatic section, and the seats there were quickly cleared. Gradually the disappointing tidings filtered through the public galleries, and tired hundreds, many of whom had brought their luncheons with them and sat on hard benches for six hours, wearily withdrew, voicing their disappointment and indignation with expressions like: "Bunkoed again!" "Do we get return checks?" &c.

The hegira from the floor was almost as sudden. Members crowded outside while the army debate went on, most of them freely expressing their disappointment at the further delay in the all-important issue. Few even of the Republican leaders had any definite information of the reasons for the further postponement, and many Democrats were ready with the declaration that it was just what they had expected.

ROUTINE WORK IN CONGRESS.

Army Reorganization Bill in the House and the Sundry Civil Bill in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The actual business in Congress to-day was confined practically to the consideration of the Army Reorganization bill in the House and the consideration of the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill in the Senate.

It having been arranged last Friday that the Army Reorganization bill should be a special order for to-day in the House, not, however, to interfere with a report from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Speaker as soon as the House was ready for business recognized Mr. Hull, Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee, to call it up.

A wrangle followed as to whether the bill should be considered in the Committee of the Whole or in the House and as to the limits of the debate. The galleries watched these preliminaries patiently but with interest, as the leaders on both sides, Mr. Dingley and Mr. Bailey and others, participated in the sparring. It was finally agreed that the bill should be considered in the House, but all efforts to arrange a limit upon the debate failed owing to the objection of Mr. Marsh, (Rep., Ill.,) who is one of the most bellicose members upon the floor.

Mr. Hull in a calm, dispassionate statement explained the features and purposes of the bill and the advantages of the proposed three battalion formation.

"Our present formation, he said, was absolutely obsolete, and it would be murder to require the army of the United States to go into battle under the present law. The deadly character of modern firearms made an open formation absolutely necessary.

Mr. Marsh (Rep., Ill.,) followed Mr. Hull. He indorsed the main features of the bill, but expressed the opinion that no Captain could handle a company of 250 men under the new formation. The debate drifted along with considerable vigor, many members participating.

It Is Opposed to the Volunteers.

Mr. Lacey (Rep., Iowa,) aroused the first outburst of applause from members and galleries when he said that he regretted that war seemed inevitable, but that one good thing would come out of it—the regiment of the State of Georgia would vie with that of Iowa to see which should be in the front rank of battle and stay longest. The coming war would cement with blood and iron the States of the Union. Mr. Robbins (Rep., Penn.,) opposed the bill because he believed it was inimical to the volunteer service of the United States. In time of war the volunteer forces, he thought, ought to do the fighting. The regular army should not be increased, as was proposed in this bill, to 104,000.

The main argument used against the bill was that in case of war the National Guard and volunteer forces could supply the troops necessary above the regular army of 26,000. This was met with the contention that as one-quarter of the expanded regiments would be regulars, they would be ready for real service in a much shorter time than the volunteer forces could be. An amendment was offered to reduce the size of the companies from 200 to 150.

The House adjourned without action on the bill.

Sundry Civil Bill in the Senate.

The Sundry Civil bill was taken up in the Senate by unanimous consent.

When that part of the bill providing that no part of the appropriation for Howard University in this city should be used for the theological department was reached, Mr. Hawley (Conn.) interrupted the reading. He said that everywhere the United States recognized that there was a God. Such recognition is made in the Senate and House every day, and the warships and army posts of the Nation have their chaplains. He desired, therefore, to know whether this provision prohibited religious instruction at the university.

Mr. Allison explained that it in no manner interfered with religious instruction, but no part of the appropriation could be used in support of the theological department.

The reading of the bill was concluded, and the amendments which had been passed over informally were taken up. The committee amendment to the appropriation for the Immigrant Station at Ellis Island, N. Y., was first considered.

Mr. Fairbanks (Ind.) offered an amendment to the amendment appropriating $55,200 for an immigrants' disinfectant, bathhouse and laundry, $30,000 for a kitchen and restaurant, and $20,000 for repairs to the cribwork. His amendment was agreed to and the committee's amendment as amended was adopted.

All other committee amendments were agreed to.

Mr. Davis secured the adoption of an amendment extending to $350,000 the limit of cost of the public building in St. Paul. An amendment by Mr. Cullom appropriating $15,000 to restore the banks of the Ohio River at Shawneetown, Ill., recently swept away by flood, was adopted.

$200,000 Wanted for Mobile Bay.

An amendment which was practically a war measure was proposed by Mr. Pettus (Ala.) It provided an appropriation of $200,000 to be immediately available for the improvement of Mobile Bay, in order that warships and their barges might reach the wharves of Mobile to obtain coal and supplies. Mr. Pettus and Mr. Morgan made an appeal for the amendment, as it was a measure really necessary as a matter of National defense.

Mr. Allison said he was oposed to making a river and harbor act out of the Sundry Civil bill. He said other amendments had been offered which might be regarded as war measures.

Mr. Gray (Del.) advised Mr. Allison that he had an amendment for the improvement of the harbor of Wilmington, Del., because the factories of that city which were working upon army and navy supplies were seriously embarrassed by the condition of the harbor.

In reply Mr. Allison said any measures providing necessary means for the National defense would pass both the Senate and House promptly. He believed that if the proposed amendment was necessary for the National defense it ought to be passed upon by a committee of the Senate which had that subject directly in charge. He suggested therefore that all such amendments should be submitted to the proper committee. Meantime he asked that the bill be laid aside, and the whole question went over.

Mrs. Hubbard's Collection.

A resolution accepting the collection of etchings and engravings proposed to be given to the National Library by Mrs. Hubbard, widow of Gardiner G. Hubbard, was called up. Mr. Mills and Mr. Bacon objected to the feature of the resolution which provided that a special part of the library should be set aside for the collection, and that it should be known as the "Gardiner Green Hubbard Gallery."

Mr. Hawley (Conn.) and Mr. Hoar (Mass.) supported the resolution, the latter pointing out that the collection was one of the most valuable collections of engravings illustrating the life of Napoleon in the world.

Mr. Bacon antagonized the proposition setting aside any part of the library to be known as the "Gardiner Green Hubbard Gallery" and providing for the exhibition of a bust of Mr. Hubbard.

Mr. Lodge (Mass.) said that it was the custom for great galleries and libraries to accept such a wonderful collection as the proposed gift was when they were offered.

Finally, Mr. Mills moved to recommit the resolution to the committee. This was agreed to—20 to 18—but Mr. Hoar made the point of no quorum. Upon this motion the Senate then, at 5 o'clock, adjourned.

Fourth-Class Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The following fourth-class Postmasters were to-day appointed:

NEW JERSEY—Linwood, Walton Sanders; Oakridge, William C. Oliver.

NEW YORK—Chapinville, Wilson B. Nicholson; Cropseyville, Richard Hulbert; Eagle Mills, Andrew Mullin.

ITALIANS THROUGH A BRIDGE.

Three Dead, Two Dying, and Many Hurt at West Branch, on the New Haven Road.

WATERBURY, Conn., April 6.—Two unknown Italians were killed, another was injured so badly that he died on the way to the hospital, and two others were fatally injured as the result of an accident this morning on the Naugatuck Division of the New Haven Railroad a mile above Thomaston.

The men were in a caboose attached to a wrecking train of five cars laden with railroad ties. One of the flat cars jumped the track while crossing the West Branch Bridge. The caboose crowded with Italian laborers followed.

It crashed through the side of the bridge, wrecking the bridge and car. There were thirty Italian laborers in the car. All were more or less injured. The dead were taken back to Thomaston. The injured were brought to the Waterbury Hospital. One who had his leg cut off at the thigh died on the journey of eight miles. Two others are expected to die. No blame can be attached to any one. The Branch Bridge is known from the disaster of Sept. 5, 1887, when a flood washed it away and a passenger car was thrown into the flood. Seven persons were drowned inside the car at the time. The rest were rescued after the car had floated two miles down the river and grounded.

WANT A PARCEL POST.

Business Men Advocate the Innovation at a Meeting in Chicago.

CHICAGO, April 6.—The establishment of a parcel post was advocated by a gathering of representative business men at the Sherman House this afternoon.

Members of such firms as the Fuller & Fuller Company, the Goodyear Rubber Company, the W. B. Conkey Company, Juergens & Anderson, and other concerns representing trade all over the country were present. Their wish was to perfect the creation of a new adjunct to the postal service such as is successfully employed all over Europe in the distribution of bulky packages.

"This movement," said Mr. F. Eberlein, who was credited with being its organising spirit, "we intend to spread from one end of the country to the other. Money for the work we have already subscribed, and when the public learns that the establishment of a parcel post will save it at least two-thirds of what is now paid for shipping charges popular sentiment will soon demand the enactment of the law that is required."

LOSSES BY FIRE.

NEWARK, N. J., April 6.—Reinhardt's express stable was burned early to-day. Eight horses were cremated. The loss will be about $3,000. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Tiffany & Co.

Diamond and Gem Merchants

have made unusual preparations for the *Easter Wedding Season* and ask an inspection of their stock of jewels and gem jewelry prepared for engagement and wedding gifts.

Solitaire diamond rings strings of pearls, brooches, pendants and hair ornaments of diamonds, rubies, emeralds, sapphires, etc., are shown in an exceptionally rich assortment of designs.

UNION SQUARE
NEW YORK

The Easter Display of the Gorham Company

now in progress, includes Belts, Girdles, Chatelaines and other novelties for Spring Costumes, and a unique collection of Brooches especially designed for this season.

These goods are richly set with semi-precious stones, odd-shaped pearls, opals, etc., many being impossible of duplication.

Gorham Mfg. Co.
SILVERSMITHS,
Broadway and 19th Street.

FOREIGN COMMITTEES MEET

Both Satisfied with the Reasons Given by the President for His Delay.

NO FORMAL POLICY OUTLINED

Majority of Senate Members Still Stand by the Foraker Resolutions—Mr. Frye Sees Small Chance of War Being Averted.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Whatever view the majority of Congress may take of the President's latest request for delay in the Cuban matter, the House and Senate Foreign Committees are satisfied that the reasons given by the Administration are sound. Talks with members of both these committees to-night justify the statement. They will not seek to anticipate or hurry the President between now and Monday, but they will co-operate with him to hold the matter in abeyance until that time.

Both committees held sessions before noon to-day, and in each the Cuban question was discussed. The Senate committee gave further consideration to the form of the resolution to be reported after the receipt of the President's message, which was then expected to-day. No formal action was taken, but the opinions expressed by individual members demonstrated that in their present mood the majority of them still stand by their original action in adopting the Foraker resolutions for the recognition of Cuba and armed interference to enforce that recognition. If the committee is brought into harmony with the Administration programme of intervention without recognition several members will have to relinquish the views they now hold.

The expression of opinion among members developed the fact that Senators Frye and Lodge stand alone in thinking that a change should be made, eliminating independence from the resolutions. The remaining nine members of the committee, composed of four Republicans and five Democrats, will stand by the committee's original decision for both independence and intervention, unless there should be some change from present conditions before the vote is taken. It is the expectation that the report will be made up on the assembling of the Senate to-morrow.

Four of the Republicans of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House, Messrs. Henry of Indiana, Heatwole of Minnesota, Smith of Michigan, and Quigg of New York, have announced this morning that they will not support the President's recommendations if he asks intervention at his discretion. Mr. Henry declared that he is in favor of resolutions which recite the conditions in Cuba and the blowing up of the Maine and then resolve that Spain has forfeited all dominion over Cuba, and authorizing the President to use the army and navy to drive Spain from the island.

A Republican member of the House Committee said this evening that the committee had a hint at its morning session that the message might not be sent in during the day.

"The reason given us, direct from the White House," he said, "was that to send the message in now would imperil the lives of Americans still in Cuba, and we consider the reason an honest and sufficient one. Our committee has been informed all along that the message might be delayed on this account, that the time of its transmission to Congress would depend on how soon Gen. Lee and the other Americans in Cuba could get out of the country. I have not agreed heretofore with the President's apparent disposition to delay in this matter, but I consider the withholding of the message to-day perfectly proper, in fact, the only thing that could be done under the circumstances. I do not think it is due to any change in the President's policy."

Another member of this committee, also a Republican, and noted for his advocacy of an aggressive policy toward Spain, said to-night that he regretted the fresh delay, but that the Foreign Affairs Committee was disposed to take the reason given by the Administration in good faith, and that nothing would be done between now and Monday to interfere with the Executive's programme.

It is regarded as significant that Senator Frye of the Foreign Relations Committee, while declining absolutely to-night to talk of the new phase of the situation, admitted that he still saw small chance of war being averted. He would not comment on the delay of the message further than to say that the reasons the President gave therefor were perfectly satisfactory to him.

Senator Foraker, who, with Mr. Frye, has always taken an advanced position on the Spanish question, is satisfied with the validity of the explanation given of to-day's action.

BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETS.

Deferred Payments to Contractors Entail Hardships Among Them.

The holders of contracts for school work, who have been unable to get money from the city on their claims, have made so many complaints recently to the School Board for the Boroughs of Manhattan and Bronx of the hardship entailed by having their guaranteed payments held up, that the local School Board, at its meeting yesterday, decided to ask the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for permission to release the certified checks of the contractors and take substantial security instead.

The certified check of one contractor alone, for $9,000, is held, and the contractor complains that he is unnecessarily deprived of the use of his money, which might otherwise be earning something for him.

It was decided also to dispense with the services of thirty-seven draughtsmen and Inspectors of Buildings, and to apply to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for a transfer of the unexpended balance of school moneys on hand for the payment of the draughtsmen and Inspectors' salaries.

The Committee on Supplies recommended the promotions of Thomas E. Bussey from Clerk to Assistant Secretary of the Board, at a salary of $2,000, an advance of $500, and of Messenger E. W. Scott, at $680, to Assistant Clerk, at $720, and the promotions were made until Commissioner Burlingham reminded the Board that the matter was probably subject to the classified civil service. The promotions were then reconsidered, and the matter referred to the Committee on By-laws.

Bookkeeper Shoots Himself.

PASSAIC, N. J., April 6.—Arthur Hunt, twenty-three years old, a bookkeeper employed in New York, and boarding in a house in Irving Place, this city, committed suicide to-night by shooting himself in the head. A friend of his, the Rev. Mr. Wyke of Boston, was visiting him. At the supper table Hunt appeared in good spirits. During the evening he left the parlor, went to his room, and shot himself. He left no explanation for his act. Hunt's brother and sister-of Hunt live in Worcester, Mass.

ADMIRAL IRWIN'S OPINION.

Spanish Authorities Must Have Known the Mine Was There, Says Admiral Fit to Command.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The Foreign Affairs Committee of the House had Admiral Irwin, who is an expert in explosives, before them this morning. He was asked his opinion as to the character of the mine which blew up the Maine, and as to whether it was possible for such a mine to have been located without the knowledge of the Spanish authorities. To the latter inquiry he replied in the negative, giving his reasons for his opinion.

Admiral Irwin, who had forty years' experience in the navy, much of it in the South American ports, was asked particularly whether he considered the Cubans capable of self-government.

He replied that he considered them far superior to the people of any of the South American countries which have broken away from Spanish rule, and gave as his reason the fact that the children of all well-to-do Cubans had been educated either in this country or abroad.

SENOR DU BOSC'S STATEMENT.

Spain Wants the Maine Question Settled by Experts of Nations.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Señor du Bosc, late Charge d'Affaires of Spain, who was in charge during the critical period following the Maine disaster, to-day authorized the following statement.

"The report of the Spanish commission which investigated the Maine disaster has not yet had time to reach Madrid from Havana. Notwithstanding this, the Spanish Government is ready to submit the evidence of both sides to the impartial judgment of the expert opinion of the maritime nations of the world."

A Maine Victim's Body Buried.

The body of Nelson Merritt, a seaman who perished on the Maine, which was brought from Havana on the Ward Line steamer City of Washington, was taken to the navy yard yesterday morning. The body was in a metallic casket, and was taken to the yard in an ambulance of the Naval Hospital, which was sent for it. It was buried in the hill near the hospital in the afternoon, Chaplain Rodney of the Vermont officiating. Eight marines, a Corporal, and twenty sailors were detailed for the ceremony.

BLOCK ON THE ELEVATED.

Sixth Avenue Car Jumped the Track, Delaying Traffic for an Hour.

There was an hour's block on the elevated road at 2 P. M. yesterday when the rear car of a train of five attached to an engine of the Sixth Avenue line jumped the track at Ninth Avenue and Fifty-third Street. There were a number of people in the car, which was dragged for a short distance over the ties, but although they were shaken up, no one was injured. All the passengers, after the train had been at a standstill for five minutes, climbed out and made their way along the structure to the Fifty-third Street station.

Then an up-town train that met with the accident, but the car was thrown in such a way that the down-town trains were also blocked as well as the Ninth Avenue trains. During the blockade there was a congestion of trains along the line from the point of the accident.

STANTON OUTLINES HIS COURSE.

Tells What He Will Do if Elected Recorder of Hoboken.

Ex-Sheriff Edward R. Stanton, the Democratic candidate for Recorder at the charter election to be held in Hoboken next Tuesday, delivered a sensational address at a political meeting held under the auspices of the German-American Citizens' Verein in Hoboken Tuesday night. He said:

"If I am elected there will be no side doors for private complaints in my court. I'm no more moral than any other man, but I don't preach one thing and practice another. If elected Judge, I'll set on the bench with a clear head in the morning. I won't fine a man $10 for something that I was guilty of the night before.

"Of course, it would never do to arrest the Judge. All men and women who have business in the Recorder's office I will treat courteously. No side rooms or petticoats will rule this Judge."

Stanton's remarks were received with cheers and jeers. Recorder McDonough took them all in from the rear of the hall. When asked what he had to say in regard to Stanton's remarks, he replied with dignity:

"Nothing at present. I may make public a letter by and by. Stanton says I have been in office twenty years, and should give somebody else a chance. Stanton has held office himself twenty-three years, and is now looking for more."

Recorder McDonough is an independent candidate for re-election.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS BOARD.

Commissioner Keating Opposes a City Asphalt Repair Plant.

The Board of Public Improvements at its meeting yesterday decided in accordance with the Mayor's opinion that the city debt limit had been reached, and in consequence all matters involving an issue of bonds were laid over.

Commissioner of Highways Keating, referring to the matter of asphalt pavement guarantees, reported that fifteen years were generally considered a proper length of time for the guarantee to stand, and that the companies which did the original work should also be allowed to make the repairs, because asphalt furnished by different companies was of different colors. For the same reason he reported against President Grout's recommendation for a city repair plant for asphalt pavements.

Mr. Grout, however, declared that his suggestion had been misunderstood, and that he meant that the city should do the entire paving. Street Cleaning Commissioner McCartney also said that the suggestion made by him had been misconstrued, and both men were asked to file amended reports for the next meeting.

He Fished for Frankfurters.

A window was broken in Herman Meyer's grocery, at 581 Grand Street, Jersey City, on Monday. It was not repaired, but at night the clerks removed all goods from the window. At 2 o'clock yesterday morning, Policeman Kelly found a one-legged man fishing through the broken window for frankfurters with a hook he had made from a piece of wire, and which he had fastened to the end of a pole. He had caught two links of sausages when the officer caught him. When arraigned before Police Justice Potts he said he was John Adams, twenty-seven years old, and homeless. He was committed to the penitentiary for thirty days.

Armory Board Organised.

The Armory Board organised yesterday under the new law which amends the charter so as to place Brooklyn armories under the care of the board. The Mayor was elected President, and Thomas L. Feitner Secretary. Gen. James McLeer of Brooklyn and Gen. McCoskry Butt were added to the board.

YESTERDAY'S FIRES.

(From 12 o'clock Tuesday night until 12 o'clock Wednesday night.)

MANHATTAN AND BRONX.

8:30 A. M.—223 East Fifty-eighth Street; James Lebouki; damage, $200.

11:10 A. M.—13 Charlton Street; John Barrett; damage, slight.

1:35 P. M.—542 West Fifty-third Street; E. Goodman; damage, slight.

4:20 P. M.—1,972 Second Avenue; John Liego; damage, slight.

4:45 P. M.—307 West Fifty-eighth Street; Nellie Caldwell; damage, $5.

7:15 P. M.—54 West Twenty-eighth Street; Jacob Kash; damage, $1,000.

8:15 P. M.—303 West Eighty-fourth Street; J. A. Locke; damage, $20.

9:20 P. M.—703 Greenwich Street; D. Quackenbush; damage, $200.

The Modern Generation of Men.

Physically men are better to-day than were before. Our college youth are, as a general thing, magnificent specimens. The constitutionally weak and nervous, though they may never become athletes, can greatly increase their strength and restore tranquillity to the nervous system by the efficient aid of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which also removes malarial, kidney, dyspeptic, and bilious trouble.

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BROKAW BROTHERS,

Fourth Ave. Astor Place.

Manufacturers and Retailers of

FINE CLOTHING.

Established at this location 42 years and still under the same management and interest.

TO EQUALIZE ASSESSMENTS.

Hearing Before the Mayor on a Bill to Correct a Mistake in the Charter.

President Grout of the Borough of Brooklyn appeared before Mayor Van Wyck yesterday to urge favorable action upon a bill providing for the equalization of assessments for local improvements throughout the city. He said that the bill was intended to correct an irregularity in the charter which makes repaving in Manhattan chargeable to the borough, while in Brooklyn it is assessable upon the property owners and the city equally. Both the Corporation Counsel and the Board of Public Improvements approved the bill.

"Well," said the Mayor, "that makes no difference to me. All those boards like to be friendly. Such things always go through the Municipal Assembly."

"But," replied Mr. Grout, "the Board of Public Improvements is not like the Municipal Assembly and the bill simply provides equality for Brooklyn."

The Mayor then declared that he desired to do exact justice to Brooklyn and to every inch of the city at large. Mr. Grout explained that the charter makers themselves were not aware of the inequality, and that both Mr. De Witt and Gen. Tracy had informed him of their ignorance of it.

"Do you take much stock in a horseback opinion?" asked Mayor Van Wyck.

"I will take their words for it," said Mr. Grout. "I have great confidence in their ability and integrity."

"There are other great lawyers in New York," said the Mayor. "I don't take the advice of any lawyer but the Corporation Counsel. He is supposed to be loyal to his client, the city. The opinion of the men who drew the charter has but little influence with me. They were working in the interests of outside citizens and some of the large real estate owners in Brooklyn especially. Some of them held property there themselves."

The Mayor finally told Mr. Grout that if he could give proof that the proposed amendment was the only way in which equality for Brooklyn could be secured he would sign the bill.

JENNINGS'S HOPES BLASTED.

Enlists on the Texas, but a Habeas Corpus Writ Nips His Ambition.

A youth of seventeen who escaped the vigilance of his parents and enlisted in the navy on the pretense that he was twenty-one was captured at the last moment. It was believed that he was going to sail on the Texas, and a writ of habeas corpus was served just as she was about to sail. The haste with which the proceedings had to be conducted was so great that the lawyers, A. F. Van Thun and Sanders Shanks, did not even know where the parents lived and had no time to get acquainted with the details of the case. The parents, learning at the last moment of the boy's enlistment, made a grand rush to rescue him from the navy, and succeeded just in time.

The patriotic youth is Walter Jennings of Brooklyn. He is a big, strapping, young fellow, and looks so much like a man of twenty-one that no one doubted his word when he enlisted. He repeatedly announced his intention of enlisting, but his parents reminded him that he was not of age. Monday Walter disappeared. It was discovered Tuesday that he had applied at the receiving ship Vermont and had enlisted, swearing that he was over twenty-one.

On the application of Van Thun and Shanks Judge Thomas of the Federal Court in Brooklyn granted a writ of habeas corpus yesterday, and the lawyers hurried down to the navy yard and served it.

During the hearing, in which Judge Thomas decided that Jennings was too young to go to sea, the young man told how he eased his conscience by swearing he was over twenty-one.

"Before going into the navy yard," said Jennings, "I took off my shoes and placed slips of paper bearing the figures '21' in each. Then I could say I was over '21.'"

All efforts to make Jennings promise not to repeat his action were futile, and it is likely that he will run away and join the navy again at the first opportunity.

SHIPPING AND THE MAILS.

Miniature Almanac This Day.

A. M.	P. M.		P. M.
Sun rises...5:34	Sun sets...6:31	Moon rises...7:59	

High Water This Day.

A. M.	A. M.		A. M.
S. Hook...7:42	Gov. Isl'd...7:53	H. Gate...9:42	
P. M.	P. M.		P. M.
S. Hook...8:02	Gov. Isl'd...8:17	H. Gate...10:06	

Outgoing Steamships.

TO-DAY, (THURSDAY,) APRIL 7.

	Mails Close.	Vessels Sail.
Auguste Victoria, Cherbourg, Southampton, and Hamburg	6:00 A. M.	9:00 A. M.
Brattan, Puerto Rico	2:00 P. M.	4:00 P. M.
Cherokee, San Domingo, &c	1:00 P. M. *1:30 P. M.	3:00 P. M.
Excelsior, New Orleans	.....	3:00 P. M.
Friedrich der Grosse, Bremen	.....	12:00 M.
Orinoco, Bermuda	1:00 P. M. *1:30 P. M.	3:00 P. M.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8.

Hildebrand, Barbados, &c.	1:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9.

Adirondack, Fortune Islands	10:00 A. M. *10:30 A. M.	12:00 M.
City of Washington, Havana and Mexico	10:30 A. M.	1:00 P. M.
Fontabelle, St. Thomas, &c.	9:30 A. M. *10:00 A. M.	12:00 M.
Furnessia, Glasgow	10:00 A. M.	12:00 M.
La Bretagne, Havre	7:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.
Lucania, Queenstown and Liverpool	5:00 A. M.	8:00 A. M.
Roman Prince, Pernambuco and Santos	10:00 A. M.	12:00 M.
Rotterdam, Rotterdam	8:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.

SUNDAY, APRIL 10.

Mexico, Progreso	6:00 A. M.	9:00 A. M.

*SUPPLEMENTARY MAILS.—Additional supplementary mails are opened on the piers of the American, English, French, and German steamers, and remain open until within ten minutes of the hour of sailing.

TRANSPACIFIC MAILS.

Mails for China, Japan, and Hawaii, per steamship Peru, (from San Francisco,) close here daily up to April 6 at 6:30 P. M. Mails for China and Japan, per steamship Olympia, (from Tacoma,) close here daily up to April 10 at 6:30 P. M. Mails for China and Japan, (specially addressed only,) per steamship Empress of Japan, (from Vancouver,) close here daily up to April 11 at 6:30 P. M. Mails for Australia, (except those for West Australia,) which are forwarded via Europe, New Zealand, Hawaii, Fiji, and Samoan Islands, per steamship Alameda, (from San Francisco,) close here daily up to April 15 at 7 A. M., 11 A. M., and 6:30 P. M., (on arrival at New York of steamship Campania with British mails for Australia.)

(Registered mail closes at 6 P. M. previous day.

Incoming Steamships.

TO-DAY, (THURSDAY,) APRIL 7.

Britannic, Liverpool, March 30.
City of Birmingham, Savannah, April 4.
Croft, Dundee, March 28.
El Sud, New Orleans, April 2.
Glenlee, Gibraltar, March 25.
Lampasas, Galveston, April 3.
Leona, Galveston, March 30.
Picqua, Gibraltar, March 24.
Siberian, Glasgow, March 28.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8.

Algonquin, Jacksonville, April 5.
Finance, Colon, April 1.
Gate City, Savannah, April 5.
Mantinea, Glasgow, March 28.
Mississippi, Galveston, April 5.
Mohican, Swansea, March 25.
Pretoria, Hamburg, March 27.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9.

Bellanoch, St. Lucia, April 1.
Biruria, Liverpool, April 2.
Paris, Southampton, April 2.
Tallahassee, Jacksonville, April 6.
Venezuela, La Guayra, April 3.

SUNDAY, APRIL 10.

Aller, Gibraltar, April 1.
El Paso, New Orleans, April 5.
Europe, London, March 29.
La Gascogne, Havre, April 2.
Victoria, Gibraltar, March 27.

MONDAY, APRIL 11.

Buffalo, Hull, March 28.
Galileo, St. Lucia, April 3.
Orizaba,

The Wanamaker Store

The Pervasive Holiday Spirit

A HAPPIER collection of people could not have been found yesterday in all New York than the audience at Wanamaker's. The business rests on the merchandise. Large sales told of practical success. Easter notions, expressed in apple and orange blossoms, azalea and lily blooms, miniature hay-mows with nests of eggs, rabbit warrens and barnyards, abound. The holiday spirit is developed, and prosaic trade is enveloped by the imaginations that brings the sentiment of grove, orchard and farm into the store life. And so all are merry.

A New Interest Added To-day

If you are familiar with the store you know the Furnished Apartment in the Furniture Store—fourth floor. All the beautiful Furniture and Decoration heretofore shown there have been removed. This morning at nine o'clock it will be re-opened, newly furnished and decorated. Every home-maker should see its varied features. Some are rich, others are dainty. Some are costly, others are not. The whole scheme is educational, beautiful and helpful.

All this is meant to tell you of Furniture, Wall Papers and Hangings, Upholstery Stuffs and Curtains that are ready for your Spring buying. The House Beautiful is one of the leading ideas of this business. The things that make it beautiful create one of our greatest successes.

On the Third Floor

They couldn't get shown on the first floor. Therefore they went up. And they're worth going up after.

Handkerchiefs, for Men and Women. Bedspreads. Towels.
Housekeeping Linens. Upholstery Stuffs of many sorts in Linen and Silk.

Tailor-Made Dresses.

THE prominent characteristics of this showing of ready-to-wear dresses are the captivating originality and the surprising variety of the styles. We are speaking now of the gowns of domestic design,—the practicable, serviceable, handsome and inexpensive things, of which we show a collection which we think unequaled in this whole country.

Every one of these hundreds of models is a distinct creative effort. There is no following of set copy,—no feeble imitations and reiterations of well-known styles. Each one of them is a style distinctive, apt, correct, tasteful. Each one is ours alone. We have never experienced such a demand for gowns of this character, and we hold first place by deserving it.

Here are some prices:

At $12—Of serge; blue and black; fly-front jacket; correctly hanging skirt; lined throughout with colored taffeta. Excellent value.

At $35—Another cutaway suit in covert; tan and gray; entire suit faultlessly tailored and lined throughout with striped taffeta; drop lining of skirt finished with dust ruffle.

At $15—Of cheviot serge; fly-front walking jacket; beautifully made; entire suit lined with black taffeta.

At $18.75—Of serge; fly-front jacket; entire suit well tailored; lined with taffeta; skirt has dust ruffle.

At $30—Of broadcloth; new 3-button cutaway coat; new shape skirt; all lined with taffeta silk.

An $18 Box-Couch for $12

WE have just enough of these for one day's selling,—just an even hundred. You know how "handy" and serviceable these are. There's as much storage room in one as in a large wardrobe, and it's a couch and an ornament besides. The lid has a spring lifter, and we upholster the whole affair to your own order in any one of five different patterns of Oriental tapestries. Eighteen dollars would really be cheap for these. We sell them at $12 each as long as this lot holds out.

Carpet Items. PERHAPS you have already found out that carpet prices have materially advanced since wool figures were sent skyward by recent tariff legislation. If you have, it's proof positive that you haven't been buying carpets *here*, for we are holding to the ante-tariff figures almost all through the stock.

There are special figures, also, although it's really painting the lily to cut our regular figures to get bargain offers. But the Carpet Store is in line with the saving spirit now rife all through the store, and comes out with figures like these:—

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8 ft. 8 in. by 10 ft. 9 in., was $56; now $42
9 ft. 9 in. by 14 ft. 8 in., was $86; now $60
10 ft. 1 in. by 14 ft. 5 in., was $87; now $65
10 ft. 10 in. by 14 ft. 7 in., was $95; now $70
11 ft. by 15 ft. 9 in., was $104; now $80.

Third floor.

Men's Bicycle Suits. NO need to be old-fashioned in your wheeling suit. We have carefully selected lines of the latest fabrics and patterns. The clothing so made as to compare favorably with that of custom-tailors. Prices are from $3.75 to $16.50. Look over the stock. The economy in buying here will be at once apparent.

Ninth street.

Silverware with Palms and Ferns. APPROPRIATE Easter favors are these beautiful quadruple-plate dishes with live plants. An excellent assortment here, moderately priced. Some smaller articles,—a few of them sterling,—in this collection, also very suitable for Easter-time gifts. A few suggestions follow:

Quadruple-plate Fern Dishes, filled with growing ferns and palms; $3 and $3.50.
Quadruple-plate Flower Pots, filled with growing palms; 75c.
Cups and Saucers, Quadruple-plate, 50c.
Bouquet Holders, silver mounted, 75c.
Easter Spoons, sterling silver, 35c. to $1.50.
Easter Spoons, silver plated, 25c. to 50c.
Candelabra, $4, $5.50, and $6.50.

Basement.

Easter Preparations in the Book Store. WE are doing a tremendous business in Easter booklets and cards and pretty things generally. The book store is full and running over with them. It's a very good line, and contains a great many elaborate little fancies which we do not think have been seen before. The prices are very reasonable,—even the elaborate affairs do not cost much.

There's a great selling of devotional books, too, and we show some very beautiful editions.

The Petit Library,—a vest-pocket, ribbon-tied, sateen-bound series, giving short accounts of the lives of the most famous composers and poets, with excerpts from their works. Very daintily gotten up indeed, and quite appropriate as an Easter gift. We sell them at 50c. a volume. They always have been 50c. till now.

The Book Store, Ninth street.

Easter Candies. THE candy store is full of Easter, and doing the business of its existence. Never had so many pretty things to show,—never sold such pretty things so cheaply,—there are the reasons for it.

The candy-man says that he has prepared the best showing and the most attractive values for you this season which any store has shown. You might call this a biased enthusiasm, if it were not for the fact that customers seem to fully agree with him.

In the fancy articles, of course eggs and rabbits predominate, and they are shown in every conceivable material from chocolate to china, and at all prices from 5c. to $25. We sell them candy-filled, charging nothing for the candy.

We have candy-baskets,—the elaborate and fanciful ones, and more of them than most candy stores show.

As a special Easter chance we are selling Assorted Chocolates,—the good, pure, fresh kind of our own make, at 20c. a pound. It's a 30c. grade. Other candies up to the best, at 60c., which is the regular 80c. kind, although we think it a little better.

Basement.

Ready-made Clothing for Men. IT'S standard is high. It must be to enter this stock. Our clothing must pass the most rigid inspection, too, before it is allowed to depart from this store. Patron and salesman must be of one mind in regard to fit, finish, materials, and all details. Unless it fits perfectly you don't get the suit. As for styles, depend upon them being absolutely correct. Three suits briefly mentioned here, illustrating our quality-for-price offerings.

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Second floor, Fourth avenue.

Boys' Shoes at Small Cost. THIS concerns a lot of shoes made to our order, but which failed to pass examination, and thus cannot become part of our regular stock. The maker is one of the best, and the little defects in his workmanship are only discernible to the trained eye. The chances are much against your discovering them. However they are enough to make a radical change in the prices we had contemplated charging.

The leathers are kidskin and Russia calf; all-tan and coffee color; the soles of best white oak-tanned stock; the bulk of them welted and stitched; a few machine-sewed; toes are round opera and bull-dog. This morning sizes are complete in each style.

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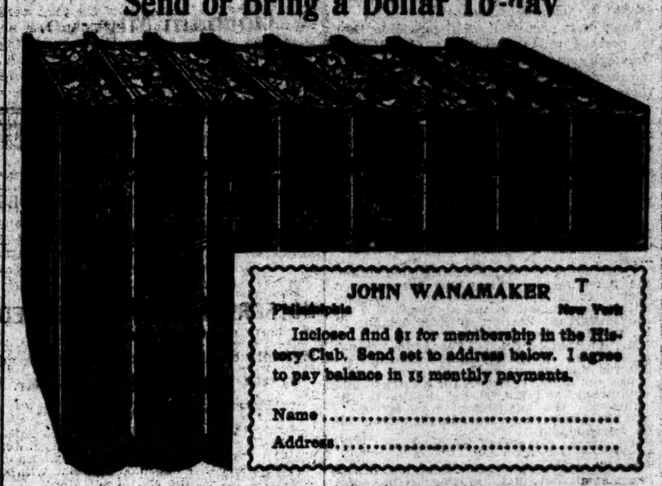

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JUNTA MEMBERS EXCITED

H. S. Rubens Makes a Statement Which Causes Much Comment in Washington.

INSURGENTS AND OUR ARMY

He Says the Cubans Would Fight Our Troops If They Went to Cuba to Intervene Without Independence Having Been Recognized.

There was considerable excitement all day yesterday at the headquarters of the Cuban Junta in this city, and in the afternoon the outer office was filled with Cubans warmly discussing the news that the sending of the President's message to Congress had been postponed.

Horatio S. Rubens, counsel for the Junta, was not pleased with the developments of the day. He said that word had come to the Junta that it is the plan of the United States Government to refuse to recognize the independence of Cuba, so that Cuba may be persuaded that the object for which she has fought so long cannot be obtained, and that the Cubans may thus be forced into the acceptance of an armistice to be followed by autonomy under the Spanish flag.

Mr. Rubens said: "As part of this programme it will be suggested that Congress empower the President to intervene, but that it shall not direct him to do so, so that there may be ample time to induce Cuba to make terms with Spain. It is for this reason, and despite the apparent sentiment in this country and Congress, that in both Madrid and Washington hopes are entertained for peace. The same reason might account for the tone of the stock markets here and abroad, and the apparent firmness of Spanish securities in the London and Paris markets. The Cubans are aware of the objects of this scheme, and the men in the field can be relied upon to resist all overtures for peace without independence."

Mr. Rubens further said that the Cuban Provisional Government and the Cuban army would reject absolutely intervention by the United States unless it should be preceded by a recognition of the independence of the Cuban Republic; that if the United States persisted in interfering without recognizing Cuban independence, the Cuban Government and military forces would refuse to co-operate, and that United States troops should be sent to Cuba upon the basis of intervention without recognition the Cuban army would in the last resort turn its arms against the United States.

Continuing, Mr. Rubens said: "The action of the United States, if it should declare that the Cubans are not in a position to be recognized as an independent government after having a week ago notified Spain that she must recognize the independence of the Cubans as a prerequisite to any further negotiations, would place this Government in a very peculiar light. I do not, however, for a moment believe that the American people would deprive the Cubans of independence against their will, or could be driven to antagonize the patriots in arms. The Cubans in the field would, of course, welcome the American Army if it went to aid them in achieving independence."

WASHINGTON, April 6.—A good deal of surprise has been expressed here about the reported statement by Mr. Rubens of the Cuban Junta, in which he is reported to have said substantially that if the United States Government should intervene in Cuba before recognizing the independence of the Republic of Cuba, the patriots would fight the United States as they have fought Spain. Some of the warmest sympathizers with the Cubans have admitted that the spirit of this utterance furnished provocation to drop the whole subject, if the Cubans were to be treated as such a declaration invited them to be treated.

Mr. Quesada and Mr. Palma have been quoted in Washington as denying the statement attributed to Mr. Rubens. Should it be insisted upon by Mr. Rubens, there is no doubt that the assumption of an attitude so hostile would go far toward weaning from Cuba the support of members who have been intensely interested in seeing a republic firmly established on the ruins left by Spain.

"But," said a Senator, "we cannot afford to fight both Spain and the insurgents. 'Poco tiempo' is a Spanish quotation that would do very well in the discussion now. Reprisals should not be choosers, and if we are willing to help Cuba in our own way the insurgents ought not to interpose at this time any such heated language to drive us away."

When the remarks of Mr. Rubens, counsel for the Cuban Junta, were shown to Secretary Long, he declined to make any statement, saying it was a matter for the President, and he was not at liberty to speak on that phase of the Cuban question.

Mr. Berry, (Dem., Ky.,) a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, declined to credit the statement, but added: "If it is true, there are probably some bonds or some interests the Junta seeks to protect. But we will know the truth. At my suggestion Mr. Adams, Acting Chairman of the committee, has decided to call Mr. Quesada, the representative of the Junta in this city, before the committee to-morrow."

Mr. Quigg (Rep., N. Y.,) of the Foreign Affairs Committee, said that the views and purposes of the Cuban Junta did not seem to him to have any relation to the obligations of the United States Government. "So far as my action as one Representative is concerned," said Mr. Quigg, "it will not be determined from the point of view of the interests of the Cuban Junta. I am not sending American citizens off to be shot at in order to give value to the Junta's issues of bonds. If my vote is finally given in favor of a war against Spain, the ruling consideration with me will be the interests of the American people. It is the 266 American seamen who were assassinated by the destruction of the Maine, and the 250,000 Cuban non-combatants who have been starved to death by Weyler's infernal order of concentration, and not the Cuban Junta's bonds, that I shall have in mind when I vote for war."

At the meeting to-day of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations the question of Cuban bonds was raised. It was brought up by Senator Foraker, who said that he had heard it intimated that there was speculation in Cuban bonds behind his resolution declaring for the recognition of Cuban independence. This, he said, was not true in any respect, and he added that he had not known when the resolution was drawn that there were any Cuban bonds out. He had investigated the question since, however, and had learned that only $75,000 of Cuban bonds had been sold. This sum, the Senator said in a sarcastic tone, he did not consider sufficient to influence the course of events.

Mr. Foraker then stated that there was another point on the bond question to which he desired to invite the attention of the committee, and this was the possibility of the United States having to assume responsibility for the payment of the interest, if not the principal, of the Spanish bonds secured by the Cuban revenues in case of the intervention of this country in the Cuban war without first recognizing the independence of the Cubans. He said he would not assert positively that such would be the case, but he believed the proposition strong enough under international law to make ground for an international law suit. He stated that there were no less than $400,000,000 of these Spanish bonds.

MISS BARTON BACK IN HAVANA.

HAVANA, April 6.—Miss Clara Barton of the Red Cross Society, who arrived by the Mascotte this morning, visited Governor General Blanco at 2 o'clock this afternoon and was most kindly received. She left the palace expressing herself as satisfied with the interview.

A Church to Receive Contributions.

The Bloomingdale Reformed Church, West Sixty-eighth Street, near the Boulevard, of which the Rev. Madison C. Peters is the pastor, will be opened from 8 A. M. to 6 P. M. to-morrow, for the purpose of receiving gifts for the relief of the Cuban sufferers. Food, medicine, and clothing are especially needed. Yellow cornmeal, bacon, and lard are the best foods to give. Quinine is the best medicine, and either new or second-hand clothing will be accepted. The nature of the climate must be taken into consideration by the donors, and woolen goods will be of little use. Cambrics, gingham prints, muslins, calicoes, and linens are the most desirable.

Four Reconcentrados Assassinated.

HAVANA, April 6.—Spanish reports from Pinar del Rio say that when the reconcentrados left the capital of that province yesterday for the first time four of them were assassinated by the insurgents.

GARCIA MAY JOIN GOMEZ.

HAVANA, via Key West, April 6.—News was received here late Monday night from a reliable source that Gen. Calixto Garcia, after desultory fighting with Gen. Pando in the Province of Puerto Principe, had evaded Pando, and, with 3,000 men, had reached the Moron-Jucaro trocha.

Much of his force is cavalry. It is believed that by this time Gen. Garcia has crossed the trocha in the vicinity of the plantation San Nicolas and been joined by Gen. Maximo Gomez, and that the combined forces, making a force of 4,000 men, are now en route for the Province of Matanzas and Havana on the long-threatened raid for which arrangements were made by the mission from Gen. Gomez sent westward prior to the conference in which the autonomists sought to induce Gen. Garcia and other insurgent leaders to surrender.

Yesterday afternoon the Spanish General Alexander Rodriguez, with the subordinate commanders Rafael Cardenas, Jacinto Hernandez, Luis de Cardenas, and José Camejo, with 1,200 cavalry, passed near Guines, this province, bound west. It is believed that the force has been ordered to join the other troops in Matanzas Province in order to repel the expected raid of Gens. Maximo Gomez and Calixto Garcia, details of which have already been given.

No news has been received from the Moron-Jucaro trocha as yet, nor is there likely to be any for some days, since the country is in a state of as high excitement as the city, and, indeed owing to the distance from the news centres, in even greater excitement.

Girl Scalded; Lover Shot Himself.

NEWARK, N. J., April 6.—Charles Bauer, twenty-two years old, of 178 Livingston Street, shot himself twice in the head tonight in front of 261 Sherman Avenue. At that address lives Mary Holsaatter, with whom Bauer had been keeping company. He called on the young woman to-night, and it is said he had been drinking. For this she scolded him. Bauer threatened to kill himself, and soon after left the house. A little while later two shots were heard at the front door, and Miss Holsaatter and her mother ran out. They found Bauer dying on the sidewalk. He died a few minutes later.

PUTTING THE FORTS IN TRIM

Cable Connections for Mines and Torpedoes Are Nearly Completed.

COULD BE LAID IN THREE DAYS

The Material Is All on Hand for This Harbor—Rapid-Fire Guns from Abroad Expected To-day.

Gen. Wesley Merritt, Commander of the Department of the East, has postponed his tour of inspection of the Sound forts. Fort Schuyler, which was scheduled for inspection yesterday, will probably be visited by the Inspection Board either to-day or to-morrow. Willets Point and Fort Slocum will probably be included in the same tour.

Most of the cable recently ordered by the Government for the connection of torpedoes and mines with the shore has been delivered. The rest is being shipped to the various points not yet fully equipped as fast as it is turned out by the manufacturers.

A member of Gen. Merritt's staff said yesterday that three days would suffice to plant sufficient mines and torpedoes in the harbor to make them impregnable. The mines are being manufactured rapidly, and there is already a sufficient quantity stored in the forts here for any emergency. These instruments, it was said, however, would certainly not be put in place until hostilities actually began and the harbor was threatened. The work of laying the cable connections for them has been nearly completed throughout the harbor and channels. The actual work of laying the mines is a comparatively simple task. The ends of the cables extending from the forts will simply be picked up and the explosive machines attached. A few ordinary tugs or rowboats will be all that is necessary for this work.

No orders have been received at Governors Island concerning the mobilization of troops at the Chickamauga National Park. A letter from Gen. Miles received by an officer stationed there contained the statement that there was nothing new to be reported from headquarters. That the Government is now turning its attention to the fortification of harbors remote from the Atlantic Coast was evidenced yesterday by the shipment of five carloads of torpedoes to Oregon for the defense of Portland.

Arrangements were being made yesterday to receive the thirty-four rapid-fire guns recently purchased abroad and due to arrive to-day on the cruiser New Orleans from England. The shipment weighs 900,000 pounds, and it is being arranged to send two of the guns to each of the seventeen principal fortifications along the coast to be mounted as barbette guns.

Contracts were let yesterday for the transportation of a ten-inch gun from Cold Spring to Sandy Hook.

The most complete preparations have been made for the purchase and shipment of provisions and supplies to the various points at which they will be needed in case war is declared. No large purchases have been made as yet, but the department knows just where and in what quantities supplies are to be had, their cost, and how quickly they can be delivered.

The work of completing the cable telephone connection between the various forts about the harbor is being pushed night and day, and it was said yesterday that it would be finished by April 14.

A force of 120 men from Willets Point has been ordered to be ready to leave the post at a half hour's notice to assist in the work of preparing for the laying of mines and torpedoes between the Virginia Capes at the entrance to Chesapeake Bay.

PHILLIPSBURG, N. J., April 6.—Three twelve-inch guns for the Sandy Hook fortifications passed through this place last evening. The Lehigh Valley Railroad received them from the Bethlehem Iron Company's plant and took them on three cars to Easton, where they were transferred yesterday to the Central Railroad, which will take them to Sandy Hook.

LAWYER SCOVEL ON TRIAL.

He Is Charged with Embracery in the Shaw Murder Case.

CAMDEN, N. J., April 6.—H. S. Scovel, the lawyer who started to defend Eli Shaw, the young man accused of murdering his mother and grandmother, was put on trial here to-day charged with embracery arising out of the Shaw case. Information coming to Judge Dixon during the second day of the Shaw trial caused the case to be suspended at that point, and an investigation by the Grand Jury resulted in the indictment of Scovel.

The indictment charged the defendant with offering Jacob Schiller, a panel juror in the Shaw case, the sum of $100 in consideration of the latter giving a verdict favorable to the defendant. But one similar case is cited in the law books, and the penalty fixed by law is $500 fine and two years' imprisonment.

Edward Enterken, the County Jailer, the State's first witness, swore that after the Shaw panel was drawn, Scovel came to him in the county jail, and, calling his attention to the list, asked "if Schiller was all right." Enterken said he thought he was. Scovel then told the witness to tell Schiller there was $100 in it for him if he were "all right." When the first call of the case resulted in a mistrial, the witness testified that Scovel came to him and asked him never to say anything about the $100.

Juror Schiller was the next witness, but his evidence was indefinite. Scovel denied the charge in every particular. Eli Shaw, who was brought from his cell to testify, said he knew nothing of attempts to bribe any one.

The case will close to-morrow. An acquittal is looked for.

DAVID B. HIRES KILLED.

Brother of the ex-Congressman Was Kicked by a Horse.

SALEM, N. J., April 6.—David H. Hires, a brother of ex-Congressman George Hires and a prominent business man of this city, was instantly killed this afternoon by being kicked by a horse.

He was out driving, and his horse was frightened by a piece of paper on the road. He brought the animal to a standstill, but it continued to kick. Mr. Hires alighted to calm the horse, and as he did so received a kick in the head. He was seventy years old.

Col. S. Swann of Baltimore Engaged.

BALTIMORE, Md., April 6.—The engagement was announced to-day of Miss Edith De Ford, daughter of Thomas De Ford, to Col. Sherlock Swann. Miss De Ford made her debut the latter part of the Winter, and has been much admired in society. Col. Swann is a stepson of ex-Mayor J. C. Latrobe and a grandson of the late Gov. Swann of Maryland. He is President of the Baltimore Club and is a member of the Bachelors' Cotillion and the Elkridge Fox Hunting Club. He at present represents the fashionable ward of Baltimore in the City Council.

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ANDREE STORY A CANARD.

Mail Carrier Carr Got His Idea from a St. Michael Newspaper.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 6.—The story told by Carr, the United States mail carrier, that he had news from Andrée, the balloonist, proves to be a canard pure and simple. Carr got the idea from a little paper published in St. Michael, which recently printed a highly improbable story regarding the missing aeronaut.

THE UNITED SERVICE.

Navy.

Assistant Paymaster H. E. Biscoe is detached from the Essex, April 5, and ordered home to settle accounts and await orders.

Chaplain A. A. McAlister is promoted to the relative rank of Captain from April 5.

Chaplain C. Q. Wright is promoted to the relative rank of Commander from April 5.

Chaplain J. P. Chidwick is promoted to the relative rank of Lieutenant from April 5.

Ensign A. B. Hoff is detached from the Enterprise, April 5, and ordered to London as Lieut. J. C. Colwell's assistant.

Lieut. W. A. Marshall is appointed, April 5, as Commander H. Elmer's assistant.

Chief Engineer C. P. Howell is ordered to the Norfolk Navy Yard with the Newark, April 8.

Lieut. Commander A. P. Osborn's orders of April 5 are modified. He is detached from the command of the McArthur, April 5, and ordered at once to New York with the New Orleans.

Lieut. W. H. H. Southerland is ordered, April 5, to command the Eagle, when ready.

Lieut. J. Hood is ordered, April 5, to command the Hawk, when ready.

Lieut. A. Ward is ordered, April 5, to command the Wasp, when ready.

Lieut. F. R. Brainard is ordered, April 5, to command the Uncas, when ready.

Lieut. J. M. Helm is ordered, April 5, to command the Hornet, when ready.

Lieut. C. W. Jungen is ordered, April 5, to command the Wampatuck, when ready.

Ensign W. R. Gherardi is ordered, April 5, to command the Sioux, when ready.

Lieut. J. L. Purcell is ordered, April 5, to command the Osceola.

Naval Cadet D. F. Boyd, Jr., is ordered, April 5, to the New York.

Assistant Engineer J. R. Morris is ordered, April 5, to the Columbia.

Passed Assistant Paymaster W. L. Wilson is ordered to the Maybower.

Ensign Y. Stirling is detached from duty at Newport News, April 5, and ordered to the Dolphin.

Commander B. S. Richards is detached from the navy yard, New York, April 5, and ordered at once to command the Saturn.

Lieut. C. E. Vreeland is ordered, April 5, to the Dolphin as executive officer.

Movements of Naval Vessels.

Wheeling arrived at Union, B. C., April 5.
Bache arrived at Havana, April 5.
Mangrove arrived at Havana, April 5.
Amphitrite sailed from Beaufort for Key West, April 6.
Nesinscot sailed from Brooklyn for Key West, April 6.
Texas sailed from Brooklyn for Hampton Roads, April 6.

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RELIEF WORK HAMPERED.

Supplies Coming in Faster Than They Can Be Transported to Cuba.

The Cuban Relief Committee is confronted by a serious problem, that of transportation. The resources of the committee are beginning to be sorely taxed to send to Cuba the provisions and supplies that are daily pouring in upon it, and the situation is rapidly growing worse. The committee's warehouse in Ferry Street is now filled to overflowing, and has been for several days. It holds nearly 200 tons. Besides this amount, 80 tons are now stored in the storehouses of the Brooklyn Warehouse and Storage Company on the Atlantic Docks, Brooklyn.

Chairman Stephen B. Barton of the committee said yesterday that 600 tons more are scheduled to arrive within the next week, and when this immense supply is going to be stored until it can be transported to Cuba is becoming a serious question. About 1,000 tons of provisions and supplies of all kinds have been sent to Havana thus far. This was nearly all taken by the steamers of the Ward Line, the company taking by every steamer fifty tons free of charge. Their service may be discontinued now at any time, however, owing to the strained relations with Spain, and meantime goods are piling up here at a steadily increasing rate.

No definite arrangements have yet been made for the chartering of a special vessel for the relief service, the requisite amount of money not having been raised. Cash contributions are increasing, however, and the steamer will probably be secured not later than next week.

The largest single shipment yet made to the committee is the contribution from Nebraska. It consists of a special train with twenty-two cars loaded with supplies, which left Omaha yesterday. This enormous contribution was collected by the Mrs. Senator Thurston Memorial Committee. It is being transported free of charge over the Missouri Pacific, Wabash, and Delaware and Lackawanna Railroads. Other shipments were received yesterday from Chicago, Cincinnati, and North and South Dakota, Pottstown, and Kingston, all of this State.

MARK HARTLEY MISSING.

Mark Hartley, one of the best-known business men on Staten Island, is missing, and no trace of him has been obtained since April 1. He is the proprietor of one of the largest livery stables on Staten Island at New Brighton, and also of a retail grocery business.

Mr. Hartley was the executor of the estate of Joseph Wilkes, who died in 1891. For a year past the heirs have been endeavoring to obtain a final settlement of the estate, and asked for a change in the executorship. The latter step was granted, and the Hamilton Trust Company of Brooklyn was on March 24 appointed to succeed Mr. Hartley. At the same time an order of execution was issued requiring Mr. Hartley to transfer to the trust company the sum of $1,700, which was the balance of the estate, and out of which Mr. Hartley appeared to be entitled to some fees for same. March 31 Mr. Hartley left Staten Island, saying he was going to Philadelphia. He was seen there April 1. It is understood that his bondsmen will pay his debts many times over.

SENDING TROOPS TO CUBA

Merchant Steamers Will Be Employed and Naval Vessels Will Guard Them.

THE WAR DEPARTMENT'S AFFAIR

Warships Would Be Hampered by the Presence of Soldiers on Board—Every Arrangement Ready at Short Notice.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The arrangements for transporting troops to Cuba, in the event of war, have been carefully made by the Quartermaster's Department. When the Naval Auxiliary Board was recommending a great number of vessels as desirable additions to the navy of the United States, it was suggested more than once that some of the ships be transformed into armed transports, but the question of transports had already been disposed of by the War Department. This is a matter with which the Navy Department has nothing to do. The only connection the latter department has with the matter is to convoy the troop ships; that is, protect them with a sufficient naval guard on their course to Cuba or to whatever other point the army is to be carried.

It was also suggested that the army to be taken to Cuba would be so small that the soldiers could be transported on the warships. This idea, however, is repugnant to both the army and navy. The army officers say that the troops could not be properly accommodated on board the already overcrowded vessels of war, and the navy officers declare that the troops would only be in the way on the ships, and, worse, their presence would seriously embarrass the fleet. The fleet, they say, is to fight or to cruise. If it should have to fight with the troops on board in the event of a sudden movement of Spanish vessels there would be the great danger of a much heavier and useless loss of life. On the other hand, if the fleet had to cruise the presence of the army would retard its progress until it could land the troops at their destination, and this delay might result in serious loss of time or opportunity to strike a telling blow.

The suggestion that the naval vessels might be used as transports arose from the fact that Key West is so near to Havana there would apparently be little delay to the fleet. These ships, however, can carry but few soldiers aboard, loaded down as they are with their own complements of men, and with munitions of war and coal. No matter if the distance separating the two countries were only a few miles, the delay to the fleet might be most serious in its consequences, and the idea has not been entertained for a moment.

The arrangements made by the Quartermaster's Department is to transport the troops to Cuba in American merchant and coast steamers, of which classes there are any number of good boats that can be procured for this service instantly. The department has in view every day the movements of these ships and knows just where they are and how soon they can be put into the service of the army. The owners of the vessels would be glad to offer them for the use of the Government, as they would be well remunerated; and if their use by the Government was objected to the Government would immediately seize them.

It was said to-day by an official of the War Department that there are enough good ships in easy reach of Key West and other ports along the Gulf or Atlantic Coasts to carry an effective army into Cuba inside of forty-eight hours. It is probable that in an emergency the Government would at once order the fleet and the vessels in the transatlantic and coast service to report for duty at such ports as would be indicated. These arrangements are so complete that should war be declared the transports would be at the designated ports at once, as information of the opening of hostilities would be in the hands of the Quartermaster's Department in time to have transports on the way before the actual outbreak of war.

POSTAL CLERKS READY TO FIGHT.

They Want to Know Their Status in Case They Go to War.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The war feeling has manifested itself in the postal service by the receipt by the department of numerous letters from postal employes who ask for information as to their status in case they go to the front. Many clerks, a number of them members of State militia, want to know whether they can leave their present occupation and enter into active service with the army, and if they do so whether their pay will continue, or, if not, whether when hostilities have ceased they will be reinstated. Pending a declaration of war the department does not feel justified in passing upon this question, but should hostilities actually occur the law upon the subject will be examined and a ruling made.

Allotments from Emergency Fund.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn of the War Department made public a statement showing that up to this time there has been allotted to the department $9,279,167 from the emergency fund of $50,000,000 appropriated by Congress. The different bureaus receiving this money are: Ordnance, $4,238,767; Engineers, $4,425,000; Quartermaster's, $500,000; Signal Office, $120,400. Of the entire amount allotted, $927,805 has been expended, but as much of the work begun and the munitions of war bought is by the contract system, the Government is liable for considerable of the remainder.

Regulars Ready to Move.

COLUMBUS, April 6.—The Seventeenth Regiment, United States Army, Columbus Barracks, is awaiting marching orders. All of the halls contiguous to the various company headquarters are piled with baggage and equipment ready for transfer. Col. Poland received orders from headquarters yesterday which moved him to call the Captains together, and the Captains subsequently dispersed to give orders. Even the knapsacks are packed according to regulations, and are on the bunks, ready. The men were ordered to roll two fatigue uniforms and one extra blanket. At an early hour to-day, 17,000 rounds of rifle and 1,000 rounds of revolver ammunition were issued. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has been ordered to have sufficient rolling stock in readiness to move the command on short notice.

Big Gun Carriage for San Francisco.

BOSTON, April 6.—The third of the massive twelve-inch disappearing gun carriages, which have been manufactured at the United States Arsenal at Watertown, was shipped this forenoon to Fort Winfield Scott, San Francisco. Fort Winfield Scott is the only fort on either the Atlantic or Pacific Coast where this carriage can be properly mounted. This carriage and its emplacement in a fort will cost the Government about $50,000.

Philadelphia Electricians to Serve.

PHILADELPHIA, April 6.—The services of the Philadelphia Electrical Division, composed of practical electricians organized to serve the Government if needed, were today accepted by Major Raymond, United States Army, and are on waiting orders to assist in laying submarine mines in Delaware Bay, and other electrical work in connection with the defense of this city.

Diplomas for Guardsmen Students.

SCHENECTADY, April 6.—The Faculty of Union College has decided to grant diplomas to seniors who are in the National Guard if they are called into service. There are four seniors who are guardsmen. Members of other classes who will have to go to the front will be retained in full standing.

Colorado Regulars Ready to Start.

DENVER, April 6.—Col. J. J. Vanhorn, commanding the Department of the Colorado, to-day received a cipher message from Washington ordering him to hold himself in readiness to move to the South. Should an order for their transfer come, all the troops in the department could start within one hour, arrangements for transportation having been made.

Ohio Senate Votes $1,000,000 for War.

COLUMBUS, April 6.—A bill for the issue of bonds in $1,000,000 to put Ohio on a war footing was passed by the Senate to-day without a dissenting voice. The bill was technically amended at the suggestion of the Attorney General so as to make a part of the fund available to equip the Naval Reserve.

DISTRIBUTION OF CARS.

Many Side-tracked at Connecticut Towns Whose Militia Is.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 6.—The Consolidated Road has begun to distribute cars to the different stations in the State where militia companies are organized, and the move is considered to be of great significance. The move began to be noticed in different cities in the State last evening, when several passenger cars were side-tracked at the stations.

"Empties" were left at New Britain, Meriden, and Middletown yesterday afternoon and also a long line of extra cars were left standing on the tracks at the Hartford depot. Orders were left with the station agents at all these points to hold the cars until further orders. This morning other cars were run to other towns on the Valley and Naugatuck Division, and the distribution will go on gradually until every station is supplied where militia would need special cars.

The news has stirred up the militia in the State to considerable excitement. It was said at the Consolidated Road's yards to-day that a special train was waiting in the yard, all made up and ready to be put into service at a moment's notice. The Consolidated Road is sending the cars around as a precautionary order, or an intimation, it is understood, from Hartford that the militia will probably be called out.

Col. Morgan, Assistant Quartermaster General, said: "It is entirely a precautionary measure, and is due to no special or rush orders of any kind. The situation may warrant the move later, and it may not. We are simply preparing to make a sudden call easier for us."

GEN. LEE APPROVES THE RESERVE.

He Writes from Havana Praising the Volunteer Movement.

Among the communications received yesterday at the offices of the Volunteer Reserve was one from Consul General Fitzhugh Lee, dated at Havana. He said:

"Any steps taken to properly organize our reserves so that they can promptly be called out at an hour of danger is a wise and patriotic proceeding."

Another letter was received from Congressman Joseph Wheeler. It was he who introduced the bill into Congress asking National sanction for the reserve. He said he expected that the measure would be considered on Thursday, and that he was confident that the report on it would be favorable. He expects that there will be some amendments to the original bill.

Gen. J. B. Gordon of Georgia, formerly United States Senator, writes from Atlanta advocating the reserve movement, and offering his services in whatever manner they can be used. Gen. Gordon is Past Commander of the Confederate veterans.

The following letter was received from Gov. William P. Lord of Oregon:

"The plan you suggest for a National Volunteer Reserve strikes me as feasible and desirable. It would constitute a tremendous army of able-bodied men always ready for service, and would serve to restrain the military spirit of other nations."

Many hundred applications for enlistment poured into the office of the reserve yesterday.

LINCOLN'S FAITH IN DREAMS.

Some of the Stories Told About the Martyred President.

From The Chicago Times-Herald.

Like Napoleon, Abraham Lincoln always believed he was a man of destiny. He thought he would rise to some lofty station in life but that he would have a sudden fall. He was pleased, yet alarmed, at what he looked upon as a rent in the veil which hides the future from mortal sight, for the vision he saw was one of glory and of blood.

Lincoln's friends never willingly allowed him to dwell on his faith in occult influences, and no until the dark shadow he anticipated had fallen did they see a strange fatality in his recurring visions. The one that most impressed him happened in Springfield in 1860. He was lying on a lounge in his own chamber, when, glancing into a mirror that hung near, he saw a double image of himself reflected there. At that time Lincoln was in the full glow of health and hope, but in the mirror the face showed a mortal paleness. Again and again he tried the experiment, and always with the same ghastly result. Afterward he tried it in the Executive Mansion, but there it failed.

He did not attach so much importance to this vision or illusion until 1864, on the day of his renomination at Baltimore. On that day Lincoln was at the War Department in telegraphic communication with Gen. Grant, who was at Richmond. A telegram arrived at the White House informing Lincoln of his renomination as President, but though he went home for a hasty lunch he did not stop to read the telegram. On returning to the War Department a dispatch was handed to him telling him of the nomination of Andrew Johnson for the Vice Presidency. Mr. Lincoln was surprised and said:

"I thought it was customary to nominate the President first."

On being told of the first telegram, he said, mournfully recalling the double image in the mirror:

"I'll never live through my second term. That belongs to Johnson—at least the best part of it."

Shortly before his assassination, Lincoln had a strange dream, which he related to his wife and Mr. Lamon, his former law partner:

"I retired late, for I had waited up for important dispatches, and I soon fell into a light slumber. I dreamed there was a death-like stillness about me, but still I could hear the subdued sobs of a number of people. I left my room, went all through the house in my dream, everywhere the same weeping and wailing, but I could see nobody. Finally I went into the East Room, and there I saw a coffin with many soldiers as guard.

"'Who is dead in the White House?' I asked.

"'Why, don't you know,' said one of the soldiers, 'the President has been assassinated.' Then a loud burst of grief came from the crowd, and with that I awoke."

Mrs. Lincoln remembered the dream on the fatal night of his death, and cried out:

"His dream was prophetic!"

Lincoln had one fortunate dream, which he often dreamed, and which he said was always welcome, as it invariably preceded a great Union victory. He said he dreamed it before the battle of Antietam and again before that of Gettysburg and several other engagements. He dreamed that he saw a badly damaged ship sailing away rapidly, while pursuing vessels overtook and demolished the wreck. This dream always comforted him.

When Mr. Lincoln was called to task by his friends for his belief in dreams he would invariably quote the Bible for his authority. After his most important dream he said:

"In the morning when I took up my Bible the first chapter I opened at was the twenty-eighth of Genesis, relating Jacob's wonderful dream. I looked through the Bible and everywhere I seemed to find the same lesson. Sixteen chapters in the Old Testament and four or five in the New Testament reveal God's meaning in dreams."

His former partner, Mr. Lamon, says:

"The more intense the light which is poured on what may be Mr. Lincoln's weakest point the greater and grander will his character appear."

Disgracing the United States Uniform.

From The London News.

Two men, dressed in the uniform of a well-known American regiment, were yesterday fined for being drunk at their post as street advertisers. They puff the merits of a cigarette, or of a song, or both; but they might be better employed in dressing more simply for their part. It seems rather hard that a uniform which is naturally held in the highest respect in the United States should be turned to uses of this sort in any other country, and especially in our own. The British uniform has the safeguard of law against these excesses of commercial enterprise. Good taste and neighborly feeling ought to be enough to give all others the same protection.

Uncle Sam Is Patient.

From The Baltimore American.

In every war in which this country was engaged fighting began before any formal declaration of hostilities, except in the war of 1812, when the declaration preceded the fighting. And in that case war was declared only after more than two years of wrong and injustice. Uncle Sam is patient, but when he starts he does

FLYING SQUADRON'S ORDER

Still in Force and Ready to be Executed at a Moment's Notice.

CAMPAIGN NOT ABANDONED

Capt. Sampson May, However, Invest Havana First—Departments Disgusted at the Delay, Which They Believe Will Cost Many Lives.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The order for the flying squadron to move on the Canaries, which was exclusively published in THE NEW YORK TIMES to-day, has not been withdrawn. Commodore Schley still has his order, and is ready to move at a signal from Washington. The second-class battleship Texas is hurrying from New York to join his squadron, to be ready for the dash across the ocean to intercept the torpedo flotilla and the Spanish cruisers.

The delay in transmitting the President's message may postpone the movement of the fleet, but it will in no other way interfere with the original orders. It was arranged to have Commodore Schley start from Hampton Roads to-day or to-morrow, possibly going to St. Thomas or to Bermuda to get further directions as to his ultimate destination and programme.

As soon as possible the flying squadron will sail on this mission. It will not wait until the message is actually sent to Congress, but will very likely start on its cruise at once, stopping at one of the points mentioned to learn the latest developments in this country and to get the latest information as to the whereabouts of the Spanish vessels that are moving toward America.

Capt. Sampson's Part.

It is very probable that Capt. Sampson will begin his part of the programme first. It now seems to be the purpose of the Navy Department to have him dispatch a considerable number of his vessels to make a demonstration before Havana Harbor, according to the plan given in THE TIMES this morning. For the present his operations may be confined to this movement, as the immediate purpose of the Administration is to make a show of strength in Cuban waters, to guarantee the safety of American citizens and to protect its consular representatives.

May Reduce Havana.

If a massacre, which it is said Gen. Lee fears, follows upon the news of our warlike preparations, the fleet may place Havana under its guns at once and hold the city as a hostage. After this demonstration and the safe departure from Cuba of all American Consuls and citizens, Capt. Sampson will be free to proceed on his errand to assist in the capture of the torpedo flotilla, old cruisers, and further co-operation with the flying squadron against the coast of Spain.

The War and Navy Departments are thoroughly disgusted with the turn affairs have taken. They were primed for war, and expected some vigorous action by the President or by Congress to-day. No attempt is made to conceal this disgust; and it is openly expressed by high and subordinate officials and by employes.

The first effect of the news that the message had been delayed dampened the ardor of the two departments, as it looked ominous of further postponement. Then came the rumor that it would certainly go before both houses by 2 o'clock, and there was a perceptible brightening. Later came the tidings that it had again been put off until 3. Then all who had watched for messages for days past, and had seen one after another apparently forming, only to disappear in original chaos, gave up hope that anything would be done to-day. But no one was quite prepared for the final news that the message had actually been postponed for five days at the acute stage of the crisis.

Army Officer's Opinion.

An army officer, who is now a high official, said, when he heard the news: "It is a great tactical blunder; we were ready for action; we could have struck a decisive blow, and would have ended the war; war then would have been far more humane and economical than that which will have to be fought now after this. We have weakened our strong position before the world and before our own people, and we have humbled ourselves before Spain. To-day Spain regards us as a cheap adversary, and will be in a less conciliatory mood. She will think we are afraid of her, and the fight over the torpedo flotilla gave her some reason for supposing, two weeks ago. The Spanish mob will rejoice and hurrah in Madrid to-night, and will jeer at our want of resolution.

Reason for Delay Not Satisfactory.

"I am free to say that the reason given for this delay does not seem satisfactory, and will not seem satisfactory to our people. Gen. Lee seems to have had abundance of warning and plenty of time in which to prepare for the flight of himself and the other Consuls. The Americans could have got out of the island before, and it was generally understood that all were ready to go to-day at noon.

Delay Worth Thousands of Soldiers.

"This delay of five days will be worth thousands of soldiers, several good warships, and more courage for Spain, and will cost this country and Cuba, eventually, the lives of thousands more soldiers and herded women and children than it would have cost or ought to have cost. Humanity demands a prompt, decisive blow. Delay now will be measured in human life and suffering."

The Navy Department was nonplused. Yesterday Secretary Long said he saw no reason for delay in sending in the message. The entire department had prepared for the blow to-day. Commodore Schley and Capt. Sampson were ready, and were waiting for the action of Congress, to start upon carrying out the orders of the department. This afternoon there were blank looks upon all faces, and the department seemed to feel the relaxation and collapse that follows such an overwhelming disappointment. It, like the War Department, considers that a grave tactical blunder has been made, without any compensating gain along the line of humanity. It feels that war will now be more serious than before, as Spain has five more days for preparation, and will enter upon war feeling less sure of the firmness of her foe and with correspondingly greater firmness and hope.

It was said to-day in the Navy Department that Lieut. Alexander Sharp, Jr., who is now naval aide in the office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, will have a good command on one of the new vessels of the fleet. His high character and fine executive abilities have made him exceedingly useful in the Navy Department; but he will be even more useful at sea, as he is an officer of experience and dash.

Vio-Violet

Lundborg's—has the delicate and natural fragrance of the flowers from which it is distilled

THE TEXAS SAILS AWAY.

She Goes to Join the Flying Squadron at Hampton Roads—Work Hurried at the Navy Yard.

The battleship Texas, if nothing happens to her, will join the flying squadron at Hampton Roads this morning. She left the navy yard yesterday morning at 8 o'clock in command of Capt. John Philip. Preparations to take the Texas out of the yard were begun at 7 o'clock, but a delay of half an hour was caused by trouble in breaking the connection with the shore water supply. This was a fortunate thing for fourteen of her sailors who had overstayed their shore leave. They reached the dock just as the Texas began to move, and got on board by catching lines thrown to them by their shipmates.

The tugs Nina and Adelaide helped the big vessel to swing around, and when her nose was pointed down stream her big engines began to turn. At that moment she fired a salute of twelve guns, which was answered from the Cob Dock. The crowds that were on passing ferryboats at that time gave the big battleship a hearty "send-off." They cheered enthusiastically as the vessel passed down the river and harbor. The Texas carried a complement of 38 officers and 427 men.

The Dolphin, which was to have sailed at the same time, was delayed because her engines were not working satisfactorily. As soon as the defects are remedied she will put to sea.

Just after the Texas had sailed the Mayflower was floated out of the dry dock and towed to the berth which had been occupied by the Texas. The crew of the Mayflower are at work on the interior arrangements of the boat, and it is expected that she will be ready for sea at the end of the week. The big ocean-going tug Saturn, which is to be used as a collier, was put in the dock vacated by the Mayflower, to be thoroughly overhauled. She will be ready in four days.

Orders have been received at the yard to rush work on the cruiser Chicago. She has been in the yard now for about two years undergoing repairs. A few days ago she was towed over to the Cob Dock to make room for some of the vessels purchased by the auxiliary board. Yesterday afternoon she was towed back again, and electricians arranged electric lights all over the vessel so that work could be pushed night and day. A big gang of men will be put to work on the cruiser at once.

The tug Tecumseh, Lieut. R. Welles, Jr., and the yacht Wasp, Lieut. Aaron Ward, went into commission. The Tecumseh has a crew of twelve men and the Wasp has a crew of thirty.

It is expected that Dry Dock No. 3 will be ready for use next week. The repairs are nearly completed, and yesterday about three feet of water was let into the dock.

BROOKLYN'S GUNS WORK WELL.

Her Eight-Inch Rifles Tested at Fort Monroe to the Satisfaction of Commodore Schley.

FORT MONROE, April 6.—The Brooklyn, flagship of the flying squadron, tried her eight-inch guns to-day in order to test the new elevating apparatus designed to give them greater range. The test was not made solely to demonstrate the utility of the apparatus but also to see if the turrets, after being so materially changed, would stand the shock to which they were subjected. The test, which was under the direction of Commodore Schley and Capt. Cook, was of a most satisfactory nature, and Commodore Schley said that the Brooklyn was in the best of fighting trim.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon the order "Clear ship for action," was given, and in thirty-five minutes every railing, every rope, capstan, anchor, small boat, and loose hamper of every kind had been removed, and the big cruiser stood out grim and defiant in the sunlight. The guns used were the forward eight-inch pair, and the firing was under the direction of Lieut. Commander Mason, with Lieut. Rush in command of the turret. Commodore Schley and Capt. Cook stood on the quarter deck to notice the vibration of the turret, which afterward was declared to be at a minimum.

The first shot was sent out with a service charge of 85 pounds of powder, the gun being elevated at 5 degrees. The two-hundred-pound shell left the muzzle of the gun at a velocity of 2,000 feet a second. It struck the water two and three-quarters miles from the ship, sending up a vast column of water.

The second shot was with the full powder charge, 110 pounds, and sent the projectile very near four miles, putting it in the water at a speed of 1,000 feet per second. There was no perceptible jarring from the shot.

LOYAL TO OUR FLAG.

Spanish and Cuban Residents of Chicago Do Not Waver.

From The Chicago Tribune.

The Spaniards in Chicago are American patriots. It is claimed by members of the Spanish colony that in the event of war with Spain they would pledge their loyalty to the Stars and Stripes and not desert their adopted country for the cause of Spain.

There are but a few hundred Spaniards in the city, all told. Of the pure strain there are less than fifty men. The most of the so-called Spanish here are Cuban-Spanish, Mexican-Spanish, and people from South and Central American countries. Of these, 98 per cent. are cigarmakers, and they are the finest workmen in this trade.

The first of the cigarmakers to openly declare allegiance to the United States was Andrew Garcia, who has made application in the Circuit Court to take out his naturalization papers. He declares that he is willing to fight for this country if necessary.

Garcia is employed in a cigar factory where many Cubans and Spaniards work side by side at the tables, and are apparently on the best of terms. If war talk is prevalent anywhere in Chicago it is in this shop every morning. The newspapers are scanned most intently for information, and every bit of news is eagerly discussed.

The Spanish workmen in the factory favor the cause of the United States just as much as do the Cubans. They want Cuba to be freed, and if this country is compelled to go to war to accomplish this end, they say they will lend their aid. There are no altercations between the workmen of the different nationalities, and they are agreed upon all the important issues.

Not ten feet from the table occupied by Garcia works Francisco Reno. The latter is a Cuban. He came from Cuba after the outbreak of the revolution, and was passed through by José Marti, who was killed with Maceo. He came from Santiago de Cuba, the hotbed of the insurgents.

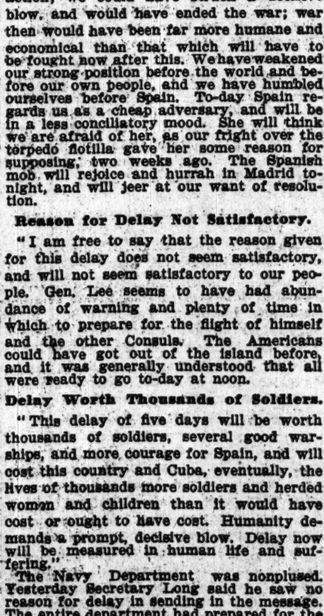
"I am working now for one purpose," said Reno, "and that is to help my sister, who is a reconcentrado at Santiago de Cuba. My mother died on account of the horrible privations she was subjected to when Weyler was in Cuba. Anything I can do for the cause I will be glad to perform. I bore letters when I came here, and for a time was Secretary of a Cuban society. When it was found out, I was compelled to leave the shop I was working in, as the foreman was a Spaniard.

"I have a cousin who is now in the insurgent ranks. I hear from him frequently by letters which come to me through the secret lines of the insurgents. The route they come I cannot tell."

Ramon Vega, another Cuban, is employed in the same shop. He has a cousin who is a commissioned officer in the insurgent army, who was captured by the forces under Weyler at one time and banished to the Isle of Pines. When Blanco was sent to take Weyler's place he pardoned the man, who immediately returned to the ranks of the insurgents.

Considerable sums of money are forwarded from the cigarmakers of Chicago to the Cuban cause. They earn large wages, and are said to contribute liberally to the cause.

While the Spaniards do not help in this way, they are on the most friendly terms with the Cubans, and pledge their support to the American flag in case of war.



FATHER CHIDWICK IN TOWN

Chaplain of the Maine a Visitor at the Rectory of St. Stephen's Church.

PROMOTED TO A LIEUTENANCY

He Receives a Commission, Which His Friends Take as a Recognition of His Services—His Story of the Wreck.

Father John P. Chadwick, late Chaplain of the Maine, has returned from the grim Havana scenes, the horror of which his ministrations helped to mitigate, to the parish where his work as a priest was done before he entered the service of the Government, and to whose people he so endeared himself as to keep his memory fresh in their minds during his absence. At 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning he came out of the sacristy of St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Church, in East Twenty-eighth Street, and with the rector, his old associate, Father Colton, walked to the altar where hundreds of the worshippers had often seen him three years and more before the tragedy that has brought him to the public eye, and there he once again said mass. He was to the eyes of his old parishioners the same frank, healthy, hearty, open-eyed young clergyman that took his leave of them in 1895.

Cheered by Two Thousand Children.

Father Chidwick had reached town an hour before by rail, and went at once to the rectory, where he is now a guest. He spent practically all day Tuesday and yesterday in seeing old acquaintances, and the welcome the parish children gave him in the basement of the church was one to remember. Some 2,000 of them met in charge of the Sisters there, and cheered him as few men hear children cheer. They sang "Hail Columbia" and "The Star-Spangled Banner," while one of their number waved an American flag.

The friends of "Father John" did not forget to notice his return with floral gifts and a body of war correspondents sent him from Key West a set of vestments to replace those he lost on the Maine, as a token of their appreciation of his character and work. Another gift that probably gave him pleasure was a commission as Lieutenant from Secretary Long, which reached him yesterday. He says it only came in the regular line of promotion, but his friends say it is a just acknowledgment of his service to the stricken sailors of the Maine.

"Father John" is a New Yorker, having been born here in 1863, educated in the local public schools, and graduated from Manhattan College in the class of 1883. Four years later he was ordained to the priesthood, and went to St. Stephen's. Later he started additional work in a down-town mission for Catholic seamen, and his associate priest there, himself a Chaplain, thought him fitted to be a navy Chaplain, and urged him to apply for a post. He spoke to the Archbishop about it, and the priest did not encourage him in the idea. Later, at a dinner which Father Chidwick and Father Farley, now Bishop Farley, attended, the latter spoke in favor of the idea, and Father Chidwick made application to be appointed Chaplain. President Cleveland appointed him in March, 1895, and he was assigned to the Maine when the ship was put in commission.

Wants to Get Back to His Work.

To reporters who saw him last night at the rectory the returned Chaplain said that he was in good health and had even gained in flesh of late. "I like my work," said he, "and want to get back to it. In spite of the sadness of this last charge I want to be kept busy. I shall receive my orders to-morrow, notifying me on what day I shall return to Key West, and I think it will be very soon. I have been assigned to another ship, but do not care to say which one till the orders come."

The Maine chaplain loved his sailor boys as thoroughly as they loved him, and their loss has been a keen one, but he does not seem to have been unnerved. His manner is calm, his voice pleasant, gentle, refined. He is a man of medium height and build, with somewhat wavy brown hair, good features, and an open and most attractive face. His manner bears no trace of a suggestion that he has risen to any public importance or done anything but a very simple duty.

He told the story of the explosion clearly and graphically last night: "I had just finished my office for the day," said he, "and laid down my breviary. I was sitting in my room off the ward room, when suddenly a tremendous explosion was heard, and the officers ran out on deck. It was impossible to tell what had happened, in the darkness and confusion. The officers were cool, however, and order was preserved.

"All the sailors afterward rescued were those that had been blown out of the ship into the water. We could hear their cries on every hand. There were no cries forward, but every thing there was a mass of flames, and thither one could not go. I heard the Captain give orders to flood the magazines. The officers were gathered on the poop, and the Captain ordered the gig lowered. I got in it with Lieut. Young and other officers, and we rowed about picking up what men we could here and there. Then we returned to the poop, and there we staid until the Captain thought that all had been done that could be done, when the officers left the ship together."

The Cause of the Explosion.

Father Chidwick had little to say on the cause of the explosion, though he declared he did not suspect the Spanish Government itself. The condition of the reconcentrados he thought fearful, but somewhat improved under Blanco. "Dr. Klopsch and Miss Barton are doing splendid work," said he, "and in the hospital at Las Fossas there has not been a death for the last eight days. The Spaniards do not hinder their work at all, except by the inefficiency of their own system of distributing supplies. They seem to lack organizing ability. Their spirit is not excessively bitter toward Americans, and when I was there there was no indication that our Consules' lives would be endangered. The first external characteristic of the Spaniard seems to be politeness."

Father Chidwick said that he could get little idea of Spanish military discipline, because the troops were rarely seen drilling in Havana. His ministrations to the wounded and dying kept him almost always "on the go," he said, coupled with the work of identifying the dead as they were brought to the wharf. "The men," said he, "were mostly in bed when the explosion took place, and their night clothes, usually unmarked, were little help to identification. The proportion I recognized was small."

If he does not go South under orders beforehand, Father Chidwick will celebrate mass and vespers at St. Stephen's on Easter Sunday.

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Gen. Hooker's Birthplace Burned.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., April 6. — The house where "Fighting" Joe Hooker was born in 1815, at Hadley, was burned at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Two large barns, besides the historic old house, were also destroyed. The loss will amount to several thousand dollars, partly insured.

OFFICERS' TROPHY FOR CO. H.

Team Scores 591 at the Twenty-second Regiment Armory.

Company H won the competition for the Officers' Trophy, which was concluded at the Twenty-second Regiment Armory last night. They won through superior shooting at 500 yards. Last night's scores follow:

COMPANY H.

	200 Yards.	500 Yards.	Total.
Private W. A. Karns	28	33	61
Private V. B. Depierris	28	32	60
Private F. D. Wendel	31	30	61
Private E. T. Hanlon	29	32	61
Sergt. E. W. Goff	25	31	56
Capt. F. Isherwood	29	31	60
Private G. H. Johnson	29	30	59
Corp. W. E. Cheevers	26	33	59
Corp. E. A. Berwick	25	31	56
Lieut. H. G. Romaine	27	31	58
Total	277	314	591

COMPANY E.

	200 Yards.	500 Yards.	Total.
Corp. C. Brewer	25	27	52
Corp. F. C. Puffer	28	31	59
Sergt. V. Price	27	27	54
Capt. M. M. Miles	29	29	58
Private C. B. Sterling	29	24	53
Private S. R. Paul	28	34	62
Sergt. C. S. Schwabeland	19	25	44
Private W. T. Watson	25	30	55
Private J. J. McDonald	27	31	58
Corp. C. D. Thurston	23	29	52
Total	250	294	544

COMPANY E A WINNER.

Teams of five men, representing six companies of the Twelfth Regiment, shot for the Riker Trophy at the armory ranges last night, Company E winning, with a score of 212. The conditions were five shots standing and five shots prone. Company C won the trophy early in the season, but it was protested because its team used sighting shots, and the match was ordered shot over again. The scores:

COMPANY E.

	200 Yards.	500 Yards.	Total.
Sergt. W. S. Lamb	22	22	44
Private F. Dardingkiller	22	21	43
Private C. Deits	21	20	41
Lieut. W. S. Downes	20	22	42
Sergt. J. McDermott	20	23	43
Total	105	107	212
Company C	100	108	208
Company B	93	110	203
Company I	92	93	185
Company G	80	104	184
Company D	90	98	188

Baseball Season Begins To-day.

The members of the New York team arrived from Lakewood yesterday. Manager Joyce has selected the regular team to meet the Newarks at the Polo Grounds at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon. The Giants' batting order will be as follows: Van Haltren, centre field; Tiernan or Wilmot, left field; Joyce, first base; Davis, shortstop; Gleason, second base; McCreery, right field; Hartman, third base; Grady or Warner, catcher; Seymour, Gettig, or Doheny, pitcher.

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Director Brings $1,275 and Red Wilkes $800—Other Sales.

PHILADELPHIA, April 6.—The great stallions Director and Red Wilkes were sold at auction to-day on the Cloverdale Stock Farm of the late Andrew M. Moore at Colmar, Penn., near this city. They brought ridiculously small figures compared with their original cost. Director, for whom Mr. Moore is said to have paid $75,000, brought only $1,275, and was purchased by Robert McAfee of Allegheny, representing the Locust Grove Stock Farm of New Castle, Penn. Red Wilkes was bought by William C. Hendrickson, proprietor of the Belle Mead Stock Farm of Belle Mead, N. J., for $800. Director Moore, four years old, half-brother of Nancy Hanks, was sold for $1,225 to T. A. Wilson of Reading, Penn.

Director is one of the finest-bred trotters in the world, but he is twenty-one years old, and his future usefulness in the stud is problematical. Red Wilkes is twenty-four years old. He is the sire of 139 horses in the trotting list, including fourteen that have trotted a mile under 2:15.

Among the other thoroughbreds sold to-day were: Muldrena, record 2:26, by James Butler, Eastview, N. J., for $1,250; Margaret S., 2:12¾, to W. H. H. Achuff, Philadelphia, $1,025; a yearling sister to Trevallian, to W. Runyan, Philadelphia, for $1,010; a yearling half-brother to Nancy Hanks, to P. Duryea, Lexington, Ky., for $500.

The farm of 285 acres, with buildings, was offered for sale, but was withdrawn, only $20,000 being bid for it.

Racing at Oakland.

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IN MADRID.

The dawn of peace in Madrid through an access of wisdom in the councils of Spain is, we presume, the true reason for the postponement of the President's message. The explanation of Senator DAVIS that more time is required for the deportation of the Americans in Havana appears to be a pretext put forward to make the less appear the greater reason.

If the Government at Madrid, brought face to face with war, and foreseeing terrible disasters to itself, not remote and contingent, but near and certain, has shown a willingness to come to terms, it would be highly indecent for our Chief Executive to send to Congress a message prepared while Spain was still intractable. This pacific and sensible mood is tardy, but not too late. Until war has actually begun it is never too late for either party to retire from its position and accept a peaceful settlement.

The reports which come from Madrid that the Queen Regent has personally taken a more prominent part in the negotiations and that a Ministerial crisis is imminent tend to confirm the further report that Spain is at length "prepared to give all America has asked." The urgent representations of the powers have doubtless been addressed to the Queen Regent. It would be almost inevitable that in attempting to impress upon the policy of her Government the personal views these representations must have led her to form she should provoke a Ministerial crisis. Indeed, a Ministerial crisis just at this moment might prove to be a very convenient means of diverting public attention from the dynasty itself. At any rate, the situation in Madrid as reported is quite what would be expected to exist at the moment of the decision not to go to war with the United States.

This fortunate solution of a difficulty that had brought the two nations to the verge of war, if it shall prove to be a solution, will be called a triumph of diplomacy. It is so, but diplomacy would never have solved this difficulty alone. Before such a nation as Spain would yield a single point to us it was necessary that she should be perfectly convinced that we meant what we said, that we assumed the full responsibility of our language and demanded nothing we did not intend to secure. That conviction has been forced upon her by our preparations for war. The fifty-million appropriation was a great peace measure. The assembling of our ships of war and the buying of new ones, the large orders for ammunition, and the rapid concentration of war material were all highly effective aids in promoting a settlement without bloodshed. To be entirely ready for war gave the strongest possible assurance that our diplomacy would be successful. If diplomacy had been our last resort we should have accomplished nothing with Spain. Behind our negotiations lay the warships, and they contributed a wonderful and decisive lucidity to our diplomatic notes. It is sad and shameful that the diplomat should be impotent without the Admiral, but it is also sad and shameful that all nations are not equally enlightened, sensible, and just.

The virtue of our case against Spain lies in its legal and moral soundness. It is based on enduring principles. Dr. WILLIAM EVERETT, in a letter to The Boston Transcript, says: "Let us pause an instant and think of what will be said fifty years hence." It is because he did pause and think that President MCKINLEY took his ground so firmly. We have made sure that fifty or a hundred years hence historians who study the record will approve our position and our demands as they now approve the action of COBRINGTON at Navarino. A political adventure or a territorial grab never would have commanded the solid support of the country as the President's demands upon Spain have commanded it. Congress would never have voted unanimously to give the President fifty millions for a war in the interest of Hawaiian annexation.

Every man of heart and conscience will rejoice to have confirmation of the belief that peace has dawned in Madrid, and that it is to be a permanent peace. We hope there will be no disappointment, no reaction at Madrid, and no unwelcome change in the tone of the dispatches from that capital. If instead of a war message the President shall be able to send to Congress on Monday a message announcing peace it will be an occasion of National thanksgiving. The President knows the conditions on which a permanent peace can be arranged. His course has showed plainly that no temporary and unstable adjustment, no mere putting off of an evil day without a complete removal of the evil, would either content the country or satisfy the ends of justice. With no disposition whatever to impose hard terms upon Spain, indeed with the utmost willingness to make the path of concession easy to her feet, he may be trusted to see to it that the path shall lead to a definite, satisfactory, and permanent result.

MEDIATION.

There is all the difference between mediation and intervention that there is between friendly advice and active meddling. The mediation which the Queen Regent of Spain has requested from the various Governments of Europe, if confined within proper limits, is in reality a matter with which we need not have anything to do. It may take the form of friendly advice from these Governments to Spain as to a course which she could follow when advised to do so, and could not with comfort or safety adopt on her own motion. Such action by European Governments could not be regarded by our own as in any sense offensive or impertinent. It might tend to the preservation of peace, for which, so long as the one condition of lasting peace is secured, we should be profoundly thankful.

There have been several instances of offers of mediation from friendly powers in our own history; brief reference to them will show clearly what the process really is, and the limitations recognized regarding it. Two of these related to differences with England. One was made at the outset of the war of 1812 and accepted by us, but declined by England. Ten years later another was made as to a dispute, which had become threatening, over a clause of the Treaty of Ghent; it was accepted by both sides and an adjustment was reached. In 1847 England offered mediation in the trouble with Mexico, but neither party accepted it. During our civil war the Emperor of Russia offered mediation, with the understanding that the integrity of the Union should be maintained. He was cordially thanked, but that was all that came of it. France later proposed joint mediation to Great Britain and Russia; neither acquiesced, the Russian Government expressly giving as its reason that a joint proposition would appear to the United States as a form of pressure. Early in 1863, when the fortunes of war seemed going against the Union, France proposed mediation on her own account, and was promptly told that to insist would be taken to be unfriendly.

Thus it will be seen that the offer of mediation is always made subject to the unforced discretion of the Government to which it is offered, and to decline it is in no sense a violation of duty or even of courtesy. The course of the Government receiving the proposition is guided solely by its own conception of its own rights and interests. In the present situation, when the United States declares that the withdrawal of Spain from Cuba is essential to permanent friendly relations between the two Governments, it is plain that mediation, if proposed, must be considered in the light of that policy. If we are determined and prepared to maintain it, then mediation can only be directed toward the manner in which, and the terms on which, the withdrawal of Spain can be carried out, and as to these matters the responsibility primarily lies with Spain. It is upon Spain, therefore, that the influence of the mediators must be exerted. And obviously that influence may be very helpful.

It is impossible that Spanish statesmen do not see that ultimately Cuba must be given up. The retention of the island had become hopeless before the present trouble with the United States arose. Military force, taxing the utmost resources in men and money of the kingdom, had been exerted for three years entirely in vain. The efforts which were manifestly unsuccessful without intervention by the United States are by that intervention made utterly futile. But it is held by Spanish statesmen and freely avowed that the recognition of this fact and the abandonment of Cuba in consequence would entail not merely the downfall of the Ministry, but the ruin of the dynasty, and plunge the nation into revolution. This may or may not be true. We are not in a position to form a safe judgment. But if it be true, then the advice of powerful and friendly European Governments might make withdrawal from Cuba practicable without the revolution that is feared under other conditions. That is the only objective to which "friendly offices" can at present be directed with any hope of effect.

SPANISH HONOR AND PEACE.

Can Spain have peace with honor?

That is a question more discussed, perhaps, than considered. Some of the critics of the United States insist that we have made it impossible. Assuming, as is quite justifiable, that the United States has represented to Spain that her ultimate withdrawal from Cuba is an indispensable condition to lasting peace, they say that to yield such a condition would be inconsistent with the honor of a proud and sensitive nation. But would it? That depends on what honor demands.

It does not demand hopeless resistance to the inevitable. Experience has shown that Spain cannot maintain in Cuba a Government such as will give security to the interests and rights of its inhabitants and to those of the United States. For more than a generation now her efforts in that direction have been futile. We cannot say that they have been earnest or energetic, but they have been very costly. During all that time the island has been a burden on the taxpayers of Spain, while its own people have suffered far worse. During the last three years it is a safe estimate that 100,000 Spanish soldiers have died or been permanently disabled, not by war, but by disease. Three hundred millions of dollars have been expended with no result. The island—which was steadily sinking into poverty before the insurrection—has been devastated and the greater part of its productive industry destroyed. Surely this demonstration of the utter impossibility that Spain can govern Cuba in time of peace or pacify it in time of revolt is proof that she must give up the task. It is plain that if Spain consents to withdraw from Cuba on the advice of the United States she can make certain terms which she could not hope to make if she retired as the consequence of defeat in war. She could properly hope to be relieved of some portion of the immense debt which she has incurred in her efforts to administer the island. She could be sure of guarantees of personal safety and security of property rights for her citizens in Cuba or for her partisans among the Cubans. She could be reasonably sure that her fair share in the industries and trade of Cuba would be prosecuted under far more stable and profitable conditions than those that have prevailed in the past. She could have a reasonable voice in the establishment of the future Government in Cuba, not, of course, controlling it, but safeguarding all her real interests. These are distinct, substantial, and lasting advantages in every sense.

On the other hand, if she insisted on retiring from Cuba only after defeat in war, what would be the results? Instead of reducing her present Cuban debt she would increase it many times over. Her sacrifice of life and property would be very great. The burden imposed upon her people, already overloaded, would be made crushing and could not be lifted for many years. Her rank among European powers would be still further lowered. She would be exposed to the schemes of grasping neighbors, and receive less respect or sympathy than she can now command. And in the end she would lose Cuba as absolutely as if she chose now to give it up. Her citizens there, instead of having the protection of a friendly power, would be subject to hostile treatment. Her share in the future development of the island would be denied her. She would be unconditionally driven out.

Since these are two sets of contrasted facts which cannot be disputed, does not Spanish honor really require that they shall be considered, and not that they shall be blindly ignored or stupidly denied? There is another phase of the question. In modern times war is not merely or chiefly a question of valor, but of money, and the money of Spain is grossly inadequate to war. She is already heavily in debt. War would add greatly to that debt. She could not after defeat pay what she now owes. She would be driven to partial repudiation. Is that a peculiarly honorable thing? She is not risking merely her own resources; she is risking the capital of her creditors. What has honor to say to such a course? Looking over all the ground, weighing the evidence of the past and present as to her capacity to hold and govern Cuba, and counting the cost of war in a vain effort to retain it, the true honor of Spain requires the recognition of the inevitable. It is indeed the only course that honor permits.

THE CONSULS.

It does not seem to be true that the President's special message to Congress has been withheld on account of the necessity of getting the American Consuls out of Cuba before it was published. Other and even weightier reasons why it should have been withheld were brought to light yesterday. Neither does it appear that that reason was, in the first instance, officially assigned at Washington for the delay of the message, although it was yesterday given in the Senate. It seems to have been spontaneously generated. That fact and the intrinsic plausibility which gave immediate and general currency to the report are most instructive as illustrating the universal American belief of the character of Spanish rule in Cuba.

The garrison of Cuba, after all the deductions that have been made from it by war and disease, is still estimated to consist of more than twice the number of the regular army of the United States. One of the functions of this garrison is to preserve order and to secure a safe conduct out of the country to non-combatants in the event of a foreign war. In a civilized country, in a country under a civilized government, there would be no occasion even to invoke the military protection for foreign residents, official or unofficial, on their way out of the country. There is not a Spanish Consul in the United States who can be under the slightest alarm for his personal safety in case war should be declared, or should become flagrant, before he was able to take his departure or make good his escape. If a Spaniard were as distinguishable as a Chinaman there might be some danger that the lewd fellows of the baser sort, whose emotions are excited by the inflammatory remarks in job type of the yellow journals, might set upon and hustle an isolated Spaniard in a back street. But not a soldier, nor even a policeman, would be necessary to protect a Spaniard in any frequented place. A posse comitatus would at once organize itself for his protection.

In Cuba, on the other hand, the danger is real. It has been understood that of the two good reasons for not publishing the reports of our Consuls in Cuba upon the condition of the people one was that the lives of the authors would not be safe after the reports were published, the other being that the contents of the reports were such as might excite American feeling beyond endurance of the slow processes of negotiation. It is the universal belief that the lives of our Consuls would not be safe in Cuba after war was declared or broke out. It is equally the belief that the guardians of order in Cuba, the Spanish troops themselves, would be the persons from whom a Consul would have most to apprehend. They would rescue him from a Spanish mob, if at all, for the purpose of ascertaining whether he could not be made to yield revenue upon the judicious application of pressure.

In fact, the reasonable apprehensions for any American non-combatants whom a declaration or an outbreak of war might leave in Cuba, contrasted with the undoubted and unquestioned safety of the Spanish non-combatants whom it might leave in the United States, of itself vividly illustrates the reason why Spanish rule in Cuba has become intolerable and why we are determined to make an end of it once for all.

THE PARTITION OF CHINA.

The present situation of China has its moral for us. China has allowed herself to become known as a peace-at-any-price country. There is nothing which she possesses which she will not give up rather than make a fight for it. As a natural and necessary result she is being despoiled of everything that anybody wants. For the last six months Great Britain has been trying to stiffen the backbone of China to the point of resisting demands plainly and cynically outrageous. But Mr. BALFOUR'S statement in the House of Commons is a final confession that the effort is in vain. The spoliation of China being determined on, and inevitable, it remains to Great Britain only to make sure of getting her share. This the acquisition of Wei-Hai-Wei and the concessions made by China in regard to inland navigation, the opening of new treaty ports, and the control of the valley of the Yang-tse-Kiang seem to have accomplished pretty fairly. Of course, however, a nation so pusillanimous as China can guarantee nothing. The real guarantees for the concessions to Great Britain are British guns.

Of course it is not pleasant, at the end of the nineteenth century of the Christian era, to see the great Christian powers behaving like a lot of shameless bandits dividing the booty of a helpless cripple. But it must be said that it is not the Western powers which are responsible for this anachronism. It is the powers which are still under mediaeval government, and the destinies of which are controlled, to the disgrace of their people, by the same "two young men" who prevented the effectual intervention of Europe to put down the barbarities of Turkish rule in Armenia and Crete. We are engaged in a like effort to put down the barbarities of Spanish rule in Cuba. There is here no "European concert" to be considered. We are the American concert, and our responsibility is undivided and complete.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

—There is considerable room for uncertainty about the scene of a story laid by its cautious narrator in "a small country renowned for its ancient courage," but Americans, being proverbially good guessers, will probably have small difficulty in reaching an opinion as to what country The London Telegraph is hitting at when, with no other hint as to locality than the phrase quoted above, it tells and vouches for a tale to this effect: The Prime Minister of the diminutive and once warlike land recently held a reception at which the only guests were members of the national Parliament and a party of distinguished Englishmen who had just arrived at the capital and had expressed a desire to meet the local statesmen. Graceful hospitality on the one side and cordial interest on the other marked the function, and it would have been a brilliant success had not one of the Britons happened to feel for his watch and find it not. For reasons not quite obvious, even in "a small country renowned for its ancient courage," both the visiting stranger and his host, to whom he immediately confided his loss, decided that the watch had been stolen, and that the thief was one of the guests. The Prime Minister, calling for silence, explained that the Englishman would be inconsolable if his property were not returned, for it was a much-prized gift from the King under whose benign reign those whom he addressed were living. No doubt, the Premier continued, somebody had yielded to sudden temptation and already regretted his impulsive act. In order that all embarrassment might be avoided and the country saved from scandal, the lights would be extinguished for five minutes, in the course of which the entire company would defile slowly past a writing table, giving the now repentant pickpocket a chance to place his booty there without detection. This plan was received with unanimous approbation, the room was darkened, and everybody marched solemnly past the table. Then the lights were turned up, and all eyes fastened on the polished mahogany. There was no watch to be seen, and, to fill the cup of sorrow to the brim, a valuable silver inkstand, which the Prime Minister had cherished highly because it, too, was a gift from the King, had also disappeared. The reception closed in deep gloom.

—There are high hills within a mile of Shawneetown, and why the people did not live on them, instead of in a huddle under the levee, is a problem whose only solution is the inclination of average humanity to purchase immediate convenience at almost any cost of future danger. The business of the place doubtless had to be conducted close to the river, but that was no reason for putting houses as well as stores and warehouses in a place where safety depends every year on the outcome of a struggle between the great Ohio floods and a little wall of dirt. Not a life would have been lost, and comparatively little property, if the residents of Shawneetown had been willing to take daily street car rides ranging from a fourth to a tenth as long as those which carry New Yorkers from their homes to their shops or offices. Yet, in all probability, Shawneetown will be rebuilt just where it stood before.

—A Chinese publication quoted by The Tacoma News illustrates the fact that we are not alone in viewing with disfavor or amusement the habits, ideas, and character of those whose civilization is unlike our own. The Chinese writer evidently has his doubts about the tales of our greatness. If foreign countries are as grand and rich as they are represented to be, why is it, he asks, that there are so many foreigners looking for a living in China. And he knows our tricks and our ways, for he says: "They live months without eating a mouthful of rice; they eat bullocks and sheep in enormous quantities; they have to bathe frequently; they eat meat with knives and prongs; they take enormous quantities of whisky; they hurry with everything, instead of resting like civilized persons; they never enjoy themselves by sitting quietly on their ancestors' graves, but jump around and kick balls as if paid to do it; they take long tramps into the country, waving sticks in the air, nobody knows why; they have no sense of dignity, for they may be found walking with women; they even sit down at the same table with women, and the latter are served first; on festive occasions the women are compelled to appear partly naked before every man who likes to look at them, and they are dragged around the room to the accompaniment of the most discordant music." These are the words of a careful observer, and who can deny their accuracy?

PERSONAL.

—An interesting fact mentioned by Mr. WILLIAM NELSON in a paper which he read this week before the New York Historical Society might offer an opportunity for useful activity in this age of monument raising. Mr. NELSON, who has published several papers on the early history of New Jersey, made JAMES PARKER, the third printer in New York City, the subject of his discourse, stating, however, that this was not done without considerable sacrifice on his part, as he could with equal justice designate the subject of his discourse as the first printer in New Jersey. JAMES PARKER was in early life an apprentice of WILLIAM BRADFORD, the worthy first printer of the Province of New York, and evidently learned his trade well under that able master, for, upon the expiration of his apprenticeship, shortly after 1740, he set up a press of his own in Beaver Street, and for many years published an excellent paper in this city known as The New York Weekly Post-Boy. While still retaining nominal management of his paper, Mr. PARKER removed to Woodbridge, N. J., later in life, and there set up the first press in that State, and from it was issued the first book, a volume of statutes, bearing the imprint of New Jersey. JAMES PARKER died at the age of fifty-six, a few years before the Declaration of Independence was made, and he is buried in the churchyard at Woodbridge. No stone, however, marks his resting place. Even his name and the important part he played in the early history of printing in our country are nearly forgotten. Yet he was a man much esteemed, both in New York and New Jersey, and his New York Weekly Post-Boy, although it would appear primitive beside the newspapers of to-day, was a marked improvement in many ways over the papers published by BRADFORD and ZENGER.

—In less exciting times than these the expulsion of Dr. TARLETON H. BEAN from the Aquarium would have elicited an expression of public opinion vigorous enough to attract attention even from the pachydermatous politicians who punish competency as though it were a crime, and degrade a valuable educational institution into a House of Refuge for superannuated heelers. Of course, all the fish will also have to leave the old building, as well as the men to whom alone their presence there is due, for they will be regarded merely as nuisances by the new Superintendent, and the idea that he will waste his leisure on creatures in whom the "organization" has no interest is too absurd for consideration. Some folks say that he was selected because he used to go fishing when he was a boy, but this is probably a mugwump slander. Dr. BEAN would have been left undisturbed in the position for which he was so well fitted if the connection between piscatorial knowledge, however empirical or rudimentary, and the management of an aquarium had ever occurred to our intelligent rulers.

—In answering a London reporter who had hinted that MAXIMO GOMEZ is, after all, "only a guerrilla chief," an unnamed American is quoted as saying that the man who has fought for thirteen years against regular troops numbering in the aggregate at least 400,000 deserves a more respectful name. "There he is," continued this defender of the island patriot, "still in the field, old, iron-gray, sonless, homeless, worn by battles, with 50,000 dead Cuban soldiers behind him, with the cries of a million starving countrymen appealing to his care—there he is, unshaken. Many of the English newspapers have been good enough to suggest that a state of war does not exist in Cuba; but I hope you will pardon me if I mildly insist that war, real war, exists there. I will even go further and say—while disclaiming all wish to offend existing stars of glorious patriotic fame—that I, with most Americans, consider MAXIMO GOMEZ to be one of the best men of the century in plain downright accomplishment. You will begin to understand presently why neither a Weyler nor a Blanco can make head against the insurrection. And as to Cuban officers, they are immeasurably superior to the Spanish officers, inasmuch as they take the war seriously, and not as a political situation invented for the purposes of peculation. Moreover, they bleed for the cause, drown for it, hang for it, get platooned to a tree and shot for it—and sometimes are cajoled and assassinated for it." Then this American—it's a pity that the English reporter left him unnamed—went on and said several other striking things about Cuba and the Cubans, but most of them are out of date now, and so not worth repeating.

REPLY TO MR. PHELPS.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

I propose to examine some propositions of international law laid down by the Hon. E. J. Phelps in his recently published letter to the Hon. Levi P. Morton. In the first place, let me say that concerning war I belong to the class for which THE TIMES speaks every day with remarkable learning and ability. War is the agency which reason and justice employ only when all other means have failed. Nor are we to forget that civilization itself is the child of war. Moreover it would seem to be a law of nature that every generation of mankind should have its war, for it has been so since the beginning of history without exception. But, to proceed to the letter:

As to the Maine: In contemplation of international law in a state of peace, nations are regarded as having given to each other a standing invitation to visit their ports with ships of war, and there is an implied promise of hospitality and security while there. The due performance of this promise calls for diligence proportioned to the danger to which the ship may be exposed from existing political conditions or otherwise. "Not perfect vigilance, but such as reasonable under the circumstances." (Wharton's Digest, Section 402.)

Given the fact that a ship of war so rightfully being in the port of a friendly State is destroyed by a force external to the ship, the burden of proof is at once cast upon that State to exculpate itself from all blame, for a prima facie case against it is then established. Spain is in this situation in respect to the Maine. It cannot become a suitable case for arbitration until and unless Spain by proof makes a prima facie case of non-liability. These propositions are truisms, but an avowed advocate for Spain could not deny them with more fervor than they are denied by Mr. Phelps.

2. Non-Performance of our Neutral Obligations: In the performance of neutral duties a nation does not absolutely undertake that they shall not be violated, any more than it absolutely undertakes that a visiting ship shall not be destroyed by a mine in its harbor. As Mr. Wharton says, the rule is not "perfect vigilance, but such as reasonable under the circumstances." To the extent of the outlay of a nation necessary to enforce its neutrality laws, it is an expense forced upon it by another nation for the defense of that nation. Spain, waging protracted war at our doors, has under this rule of international law, imposed upon us an expenditure for her defense of millions of dollars, probably enough to build several battleships, and insists that we shall continue this expenditure for her safety indefinitely. Mr. Phelps quite agrees with her. He declares in effect that we should have mobilized the navy, and, in case of need, bought war ships to augment it for Spain's protection. On the question of negligence the learned jurist has adjudicated the case, and passed judgment against his government, in favor of Spain, without a hearing and without evidence. He appears to think that in an international affair such formal matters as hearing and proof are unimportant, and decides out of hand that we are more culpable than was Great Britain during our civil war. "Who can doubt it?" he says. He holds that we are responsible for the continuance of the rebellion in Cuba, and liable to Spain for damages, with the further consequence that we by our own misconduct are estopped from intervention, either on grounds of humanity or for the protection of our material interests. It is palpably plain that such propositions are opposed to law, to reason, justice, and to truth. The whole world takes note of the tremendous sacrifices in the interest of Spain to which we have patiently submitted, and of the energy and good faith with which we have performed our neutral obligations.

3. The right of intervention: International law explicitly declares that intervention is justifiable in the following cases: (a) For self-defense, (b) in defense of national honor, (c) for the protection of material interests, (d) on grounds of humanity. The reason of this principle, which is equally applicable to municipal law, is expressed in the maxim, "expedit republicae ne sua re quis male utatur." "It is for the interest of the State that a man should not use his own property improperly." (Phillimore, 438.)

"The doctrine that one State has no concern with the acts of her neighbor, and that if wrong be done to others and not to herself she cannot afford to interfere, is the folly and shortsightedness of vulgar politicians." (Id. also Westlake, 136.)

"Intervention is permitted "to stay the effusion of blood caused by a protrated and desolating civil war in the bosom of another State." (Phillimore, 441, and see generally, Aoby, Kent, Vol. 1, p. 50, et seq.; Woolsey, Sec. 136, Wharton's Dig., Sec. 472, Vattel, Wheaton, Hall, Halleck, Historicus, Manning, and the American state papers in relation to the former civil war in Cuba in Wharton's Dig.)

"The right of intervention must depend on the special circumstances of the case. It is not susceptible of precise limitations and is extremely delicate in the application." (Kent.)

"It cannot be so far reduced to rule as to be incorporated in the ordinary diplomacy of States or into the institutes of the laws of nations." (Kent.)

"The adoption of any absolute doctrine in favor of holding aloof from the complications in neighboring States would be scarcely possible." (Manning.)

The general principle, then, is that intervention is sanctioned by the law of nations. Whether it is justifiable in the particular case depends upon the special facts of that case, for international law declares its inability to lay down a rule and definition to govern all cases. In such cases the whole body of facts upon which the decision must turn is exclusively in the possession of the Government, and it is our duty to loyally support its conclusions. A private citizen may absorb from the political atmosphere prevailing certain ideas, but to make such impressions the basis, a public declaration that intervention on the part of his Government would be a gross violation of the law of nations and a crime against humanity, is—well, injudicious, if harmless. Current history shows us that the nations not controlled by their own financial interests wonder why we did not interpose to put an end to the war long ago.

4. Our Material Interests: By a law of political gravitation Cuba is a satellite of the United States. Spain, with our forbearance and our aid, has hitherto resisted this law of gravitation. With a magnanimity unparalleled in history, we have respected and upheld Spain's sovereignty. At the same time we have declared to the world a protectorate over that island, subject only to the sovereign rights of Spain. When her power to maintain her sway and perform toward us the obligations imposed by international law fails, we are obliged to interpose. It is not a case of volition, but of necessity. Strands composed of every conceivable material interest make a cable strong as steel uniting the island to our shores. These interests are all at stake in the anarchy prevailing. In the rapid depopulation of the island and its devastation it is fast returning to a state of nature and a vast jungle. It is becoming the grave of invested capital. The wealth produced by centuries of industrious struggle with nature is annihilated. To forbid intervention for the preservation of these material interests and stay the destruction is to mock international law, morality, and right reason.

But it is said Spain is poor, weak, imbecile, as compared with our own power, therefore, ex-hypothesi, we must let her ravage, destroy, and depopulate Cuba unchecked. Such ideas are outside the orbit of argument, unless it is debatable whether or not weakness gives a license for aggression and crime, and we are forbidden to resist if a cripple is engaged in destroying our property because of his helplessness.

5. That Spain should have a free hand against rebels: There is no particular fault to be found with the general proposition standing alone and subject to the limitations imposed by international law. Rebellion is independence in posse. We ourselves emerged as a nation from the womb of rebellion, like Minerva from the head of Jove. International law recognizes rebellion in the various stages of its progress, and at its maturity gives it its benediction. When the contest has reached certain stages, when there is some equality of force, and if the issue is doubtful, it is civil war, and all the laws of war must be preserved. (Woolsey, Section 136.) For three years the rebellion has maintained firm possession of the greater part of Cuba, maintaining government and all the institutions of a civilized State. (See Flint's recent book.)

In unremitting warfare it has kept an army of 200,000 men mainly, on the defensive, destroying or placing hors de combat half the number. The rebellion is stronger to-day than ever. The resources of Spain are practically exhausted, and all hope of suppressing the rebellion by arms is practically abandoned. Force gives way to ensnaring offers of autonomy. These delusive reforms which imply an admission of antecedent bad government and justification of revolt are scorned by the victorious insurgents. This potent force which has so long held the whole power of Spain at bay, and is moving toward success with the energy of predestination, Mr. Phelps is pleased to call "bandits," "guerrillas," "negroes," "renegades," "adventurers," making warfare by crimes not recognized as war, and so on with a petulant farrago of adjectives. The execution of Ruiz was not murder, nor did it violate the laws of war, if the facts are correctly reported. More or less devastation of a country is permitted when essential to the success of military operations. Mr. Phelps permits and approves it on the part of the Spanish forces, justifying their conduct by our own in our civil war, (a fallacious and infuriating parallel,) but the same acts on the part of the rebels he holds up to detestation. Moreover, he does not perceive that all excesses on the one side and the other accentuate the necessity of our intervention.

6. Intervention on grounds of humanity. The authority for this is under the seal of God, and requires no sanction from human laws. International law recognizes it as one of the ordinances of the Divine Lawgiver. Such intervention is the sword-bearer of mercy and the executioner of justice. But it may take place without just cause and for fraudulent ends. So may a burglar enter a house by false pretenses or false keys. That is not to the point. We have not to do with hypotheses, but with existing conditions. That a saturnalia of blood, devastation, and destruction exists and has long existed is notorious. Shall it go on until mutual slaughter ends the contest? That is the question. Since the gray dawn of civilization, when international law was still a molecule, intervention on the grounds of humanity has been an active force, increasing in energy with time. It is never idle, and at this moment Crete is one of the scenes of its activity. Yet, in Mr. Phelps's imagination, it is but a spectral rule of rare appearance and no definite function. His idea of humanity is to save your money, lest you may be taxed, and by no means expose your own people to the danger of being killed. As for the rest, let slaughter and destruction have a free hand. Practical humanity is too expensive.

One of the sternest and most peremptory rules of modern war is that non-combatants must not be molested nor their property taken without compensation. Such non-combatants were the "Pacificos," or peaceful agriculturists of Cuba.

The infamous Weyler was afraid that the rebels would take tithes of their produce, and that some might stray into the rebel ranks. To prevent this, he built large pens and drove the peaceful men, with their women and children, into them at the point of the bayonet, where they were kept under the muzzle of guns. Death was the penalty of refusal to enter, and death was inside to receive them, with its attendants, famine and disease. Vultures looked down in grim expectancy, and were not disappointed. Each pen was an apartment in hell, that only a Dante could describe. Two hundred thousand of the innocents are said to have died, but even horror's maw would be satisfied with half the number. As these farmers, with their women and children, were under the protection of the laws of war, to kill them in this manner was murder.

Considering the number slain and the method of death, by comparison the Armenian Kurds were angels of mercy. But pity sighed to all the winds until they roared into the ear of Spain the ominous protest of mankind, and finally the pens were broken down, and the emaciated survivors allowed to depart with a deceptive promise of future alms.

What has Mr. Phelps to say about this? The pens guarded by soldiers to prevent escape were "temporary shelters provided by the Spanish Government." * * * "Their condition results from their own fault." * * * "They are but refugees from the ravages of the real insurgents thrown upon the protection of the Spanish Government, under whose orders they are therefore brought." This is too much. It surpasses the best efforts of Weyler. He wanted the tropical luxuriance of language to express his unctuous satisfaction.

Finally, it is deplored that the benign sovereignty of Spain should be displaced to be succeeded by a Government of bandits. Such an opulence of adjectives so utterly unrelated to substantives is wonderful. To speculate upon the future of Cuba after it is free is useless. Trouble and political perturbations always attend young independence. Let us hope that Cuba may never become a member of our political family, but that it may always remain a free republic under our gracious and unselfish protectorate.

I yield to none in admiration and dear regard for the eminent author of the letter I have criticised. Its propositions as related to the present critical state of relations between this country and Spain call for notice from the standpoint of international law and usage, and they cannot be refuted with gloves on.

W. W. MACFARLAND.

New York, April 4, 1898.

Need Not Shut Up Shop.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

I understand that the 4th of May this year has been made a legal holiday; also that the celebration of Charter Day has been deferred.

There are certain clerks and regular employes who are entitled to their time on legal holidays, and I would like to have an expression from you as to the obligations of employers on that day.

H. H. E.

New York, April 6, 1898.

[Public offices and banks are closed on legal holidays, but a private employer is under no obligation to give his employes a day off. It is not probable that Charter Day will be observed by a general suspension of private business.—EDITOR TIMES.]

NUGGETS.

Handicapped.

"What? Resigned the position I got you as collector for Jones?"

"You bet! Why, I owed money to most of the men he sent me to dun."—Harper's Weekly.

Perhaps the Best Reading.

We find in a late magazine seventy pages of advertising and thirty of reading matter. The latter is merely switched in so that the advertising can get next to it.—Atlanta Constitution.

For Art's Sake.

"Did the young actress believe in realism?"

"Did she?" replied the manager. "I had to hire a detective to prevent her taking real poison in the death scene."—Detroit Free Press.

Its Attractiveness.

Mr. Daykin—For my part, I can't see anything very artistic about this new rug you've bought.

Mrs. Daykin—You can't? Why, it was the most expensive one they had in the place!—Chicago News.

Never!

Patriotic Customer—Yes, I'd like to buy that flag you just showed me, but the price is too high. Can't you come down a couple of dollars?

Dealer—What! Lower Old Glory? Never!—Cincinnati Enquirer.

THE BROAD HUMANITY.

An Answer to "The New Humanity."

O clever Poet, who with pen and answer
are so quick—
Is your question really earnest, or is it but
a trick?

If earnest, then you will not mind that I
should say to you
It is not fair to words you quote, to use
that one word "new."

'Tis BROAD humanity was urged—the universal heart—
The seeing eyes that could discern the circle from the part.

It is not new humanity, 'tis old as God's
own law;
Which makes not any murder less because
we call it war.

Peace is no "miser's treasure that the wise
must hug and hoard,"
Peace is a greater power more potent than
the sword;

There is a Peace so craven, it will quail and
shrink and hedge,
But there is Peace so mighty, 'tis the
sword with double edge.

Yes, listen to the peace-song, in far away
Judea,
That echoed on that star-strewn night—and
tell me what you hear.

"Good will on earth to all mankind" rings
loud across the plain;
Did the Heavenly Host mean Cuba—with
not a thought of Spain?

KATRINA TRASK.

JAPANESE WANT A SLICE

Public Opinion Clamors for a Foothold on the Continent to Offset Wei-Hai-Wei.

ENGLAND AND JAPAN AGREED

A British Loan May Be Made to China to Pay the War Indemnity in Order to Obtain the Evacuation of Wei-Hai-Wei.

LONDON, April 7.—The Yokohama correspondent of The Times says:

"For the first time public opinion in Japan is vehemently excited. There is no general opposition to a British occupation of Wei-Hai-Wei, but there is a feeling that Japan must assert herself and secure some other foothold on the Asiatic Continent.

"The Government is hampered by financial considerations, but will probably be obliged to yield to public pressure. Sober people and the officials generally favor a British occupation of Wei-Hai-Wei and an Anglo-Japanese entente, pourparlers for which are progressing favorably."

The Daily Mail says this morning:

"We learn from an authoritative source that England and Japan are in complete accord regarding Wei-Hai-Wei; but secrecy is enjoined until a complete settlement has been achieved, which, it is believed, will include an arrangement whereby England will advance the money to enable China to pay the indemnity in full and thus to obtain a Japanese evacuation of Wei-Hai-Wei."

DREYFUS TRIAL ANNULMENT.

The Soir of Brussels Says the French Court of Appeal Will Act.

BRUSSELS, April 6.—The Soir of this city declares that the Dreyfus trial will shortly be annulled by the French Court of Appeal on the same grounds as the Zola trial.

LANDED BY A ROCKET LINE.

Steamship Dahomey's Passengers Put Ashore at Holyhead.

LONDON, April 6.—The West African mail steamship Dahomey, which arrived at Liverpool from the west coast of Africa March 22, and was outward bound, is ashore near Holyhead.

The passengers and crew have been landed by rocket line and lifeboat.

PRINCE FERDINAND IN PERIL.

Attempt to Wreck His Train Frustrated by a Peasant.

BERLIN, April 6.—A dispatch to the Lokalanzeiger from Sofia says that on March 29, at Sestrimo Station, an attempt was made to wreck the train carrying Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria.

The attempt was discovered and frustrated by a peasant. The culprit was arrested.

MR. GLADSTONE'S CONDITION.

Renewed Anxiety in England Regarding His Health.

LONDON, April 6.—Renewed anxiety is expressed to-day regarding the health of Mr. Gladstone.

According to a special dispatch from Paris, the Gaulois announces that Mr. Gladstone is dead. Nothing is known here that would justify the statement, which is, without doubt, a canard.

SHIP RAVENSCRAG MISSING.

British Ship Overdue at Callao Not Accounted For.

CALLAO, Peru, April 6.—The British ship Ravenscrag, Capt. Purvis, from New Whatcom, on Oct. 9, for this port, has not arrived here and is officially reported missing.

The Ravenscrag, an iron vessel of 1,169 tons, was built at Greenock in 1893. She hails from South Shields, Eng., and is owned by T. G. Mabano.

LINE FROM NEW YORK TO ASIA.

Syndicate Formed for a Fortnightly Service to Begin May 5.

HAMBURG, April 6.—The Hamburgische-Boersenhalle says it learns that the Hamburg-American Steamship Line, the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, the firm of Robert M. Sloman of Hamburg, and the Indra Line of Liverpool have formed a syndicate for a fortnightly service from New York to Eastern Asia.

The dispatch received in this city yesterday regarding the formation of a syndicate for a fortnightly freight service from New York to Eastern Asia was confirmed by Funch, Edye & Co., the managing agents.

Funch, Edye & Co. have been running a freight service making monthly trips to Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai and other ports under the firm name of the "United States and China-Japan Steamship Line." The business developed to such an extent that a syndicate was formed, and it was decided to make the trips fortnightly. This was done about two months ago.

The first steamer which will leave New York under the new plan will be the Indrapura, 4,930 tons. She is scheduled for May 5. The other steamships controlled by the syndicate are: Indra, 6,057 tons; Indrani, 4,994 tons; Indraghiri, 4,927 tons; Indravelli, 4,899 tons; Indramayo, 4,110 tons; Indralema, 3,150 tons.

Mad King Otto's Condition.

MUNICH, April 6.—An official bulletin issued this afternoon with reference to the condition of the demented King Otto of Bavaria, who yesterday was reported to be dying, says:

"The condition of the King is not serious; but he is suffering from a slight hemorrhage of the bladder."

Dervish General Killed.

LONDON, April 7.—A dispatch to The Times from Umdabia, Nubia, says that during the fighting on Tuesday between the Anglo-Egyptian forces, in reconnoissance, and the dervishes under Mahmoud Pasha, one of the Generals of the Khalifa, Mahmoud's son, was killed.

Ambassador Fava in Rome.

ROME, April 6.—King Humbert received in audience to-day Baron Fava, who will sail for the United States next Tuesday to resume his duties as Italian Ambassador at Washington.

TO OVERTHROW JOHN POWERS.

Chairman of Chicago Council Finance Committee Will Be A. W. Maltby.

CHICAGO, April 6.—Alderman Adolphus W. Maltby of the Twenty-second Ward is to be Chairman of the Finance Committee, and John Powers of the Nineteenth Ward, in spite of his re-election by a tremendous majority, will be overthrown.

This is one of the early consequences of the election of an honest majority in the Council. The plans are already made, and will be brought to a head at a caucus of the new Council some day this week.

The position of Chairman of the Finance Committee is the most influential and important one in the gift of the Council. The sessions of the committee are always secret, and the Chairman has the city purse strings practically in his grasp.

Seventh Regiment Review.

The Seventh Regiment, 960 strong, turned out in full-dress parade at the regiment armory last night, the occasion being the review by Major Gen. Charles F. Roe. Fully 5,000 spectators filled the galleries surrounding the drillroom and enthusiastically cheered every movement of the militiamen. Incident to the ceremonies the regimental Cross of Honor for long and faithful service and the marksmen's badges won during the year were publicly presented.

LEWISTOWN DAM GIVES WAY.

Thousands of Acres in Dale Flooded and $50,000 Damage Done.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, April 6.—Clay Decker, an East Main Street merchant, received word this afternoon that 400 feet of the waste way of the Lewistown Reservoir had given way under the pressure of flood water.

Thousands of acres of farms below were inundated, and much damage was done to fences and wheat. Many small buildings were carried away, but, fortunately, no lives were lost.

The break had been feared for some days, in consequence of which the people threatened by it had been able to make every possible preparation for the worst. The total loss, including that to the dam, is put at $50,000.

G. A. R. AND CHARTER DAY.

The Reception Will Take Place If War Is Not Declared.

Members of the Grand Army of the Republic and kindred organizations met last night at the Hotel Majestic to discuss plans for the proposed reception to surviving Union Major Generals and Admirals on Charter Day. Owing to the present war-like feeling, matters in connection with the reception have progressed slowly.

Col. H. H. Adams, the prime mover in the project, said, however, that if war was not declared the reception would be held. The reception and attendant ceremonies, he said, had nothing whatever to do with the proposed Charter Day celebration by the city, and the fact that the latter has been abandoned will not affect the Grand Army affair in the least. The date of the reception has been changed to May 3 and 4.

A request will be sent to commanders of Grand Army of the Republic posts of New York and vicinity to report at a meeting to be held at the Hotel Majestic April 16 whether or not their respective organizations will take part in the ceremonies. Twenty-eight Major Generals, eight Admirals, and fifteen Governors of States have already accepted invitations to the reception.

EXPLOSION IN A DRUG STORE.

A Clerk Seriously Injured While Filling a Prescription.

George A. Palmer of 60 Bank Street was seriously burned last night by an explosion of chemicals in a drug store at 708 Greenwich Street. Palmer is the clerk employed there, and the owner of the place is B. F. Quackinbush.

Between 8 and 9 o'clock last night a woman entered the store and handed Mr. Quackinbush a paper containing the names of two ingredients, chlorate of potash and salicylate of soda. Palmer was almost done with the work of pulverizing the chemicals in a mortar when there was an explosion, caused, Mr. Quackinbush declares, by making the potash too fine.

Palmer was hurled ten feet into a hallway. The jars of drugs were tumbled with a crash and the plate glass windows were blown into the street. A fire started quickly, but Mr. Quackinbush extinguished the flames before the firemen arrived.

The injured clerk was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital. Both of his eyes are seriously burned, but he will not lose his eyesight. His arms and legs are painfully scorched.

A curious circumstance in the case was the disappearance of the woman who gave the order. She was not in the store at the time of the explosion and the proprietor says she must have quietly stepped out just before it.

"Under the Red Robe."

An afternoon performance of "Under the Red Robe" was given at the Empire Theatre yesterday, when J. E. Dodson, who has been out of the bill all this season, reappeared as Richelieu, and was cordially received. Mr. Faversham as Gil de Berault and Miss Allen as Renée acted with their accustomed force. W. H. Crompton as the mute, Clon; J. Lee Finney as the fantastical Captain, and E. Y. Backus as the Englishman played their former parts capably, while important new assignments were those of George W. Howard, a graceful young actor, to the character of the fugitive Cocheforêt, and Sarah Perry to that of Mme. de Cocheforêt. The ensemble was excellent. The audience was numerous, and much given to "curtain calls." Another performance of Rose's dramatization of Weyman's romance will be given next Wednesday, April 13.

Mr. Serviss's Lectures.

Garrett P. Serviss gave another interesting lantern lecture at the Lyceum Theatre last night, his subject being "The Rhine." Mr. Serviss's screen pictures are capital, while his discourses are full of accurate information. His lecture to-night will treat of Napoleon Bonaparte. To-morrow (Good Friday) night the house will be closed, but Mr. Serviss will lecture Saturday afternoon on Paris, and Saturday night on Tell and the Alps.

THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

Miss Lillian Russell has made arrangements with Gustave Amberg to appear during August and September in Berlin and Vienna in standard comic operas, singing her parts in German.

E. E. Rice continues to improve his production of "Monte Carlo," and his latest addition to the company is Miss Alice Atherton, who will make her first appearance to-night, doing a specialty act.

Marie Dressler was engaged yesterday to support Sam Bernard in "The Marquis of Michigan." Both will open the next season at the Bijou Theatre on Aug. 15. Maud Haslam will also be one of the company.

Sam T. Jack has decided to keep his Broadway theatre open all Summer, and he intends to give the best possible entertainment of its kind by engaging a special list of performers. The theatre will be made comfortable by the use of electric fans and a cooling machine.

Harry Sanderson, who has been Tony Pastor's acting manager for a good many years, will have his annual benefit on Sunday evening. The bill includes J. K. Emmet, George Fuller Golden, Haines and Pettingill, John Kernell, Fred Hallen and Molly Fuller, Maggie Cline, and Maude Raymond.

A. M. Palmer is in negotiation with Oscar Hammerstein for the lease of his Lyric Theatre. Mr. Palmer, if he secures the lease of the house, will organize a stock company for the production of standard plays. The negotiations will, in all probability, be brought to a close some time this week.

The Irving Place Theatre was occupied last night by the members of the Arion Society and their friends numbering over 600. They assembled to do honor to Manager Heinrich Conried, to whom was given a handsome solid silver punch bowl. The presentation was made by President Richard Katzenmayer after the one-act operetta was ended. The punch bowl was given in recognition of the care and attention shown to the members of the society by Mr. Conried when they visited the Vienna Exposition in 1892. Mr. Conried made a short speech in reply to President Katzenmayer's remarks.

April 18 has been chosen for the production of Augustus Thomas's new comedy, "The Hoosier Doctor," by Digby Bell, at the Fourteenth Street Theatre. The plot of the play involves a series of happenings in Hoosierdom. There is a village doctor, a gentle, lovable, unselfish man, always hard working, but never able to lay aside any great store of the world's goods. A village banker furnishes a fund of amusement, and there is also a village "sport," good at heart, but easily led into temptation. The doctor has three daughters, distinct and original types of character—one a shrewdy girl who has no ambition in life outside of the kitchen; another a typewriter, hard working and rebelling against the hard fate which keeps her confined to the narrow life of a small town; the other a bright, merry girl, happy and proud in the small successes of her father.

The comic opera "La Poupee," which was played at Hammerstein's Lyric Theatre for two weeks last Fall just before the closing of that house, with Anna Held in the title role, and which is advertised to be presented at Daly's Theatre next week, may meet with some trouble before it is produced. Henry Lowenfeld of the Prince of Wales's Theatre, London, owner of the opera, through his attorneys, Howe & Hummel, filed a complaint in the United States Circuit Court yesterday asking for an injunction restraining Oscar Hammerstein and Augustin Daly from producing it. Mr. Lowenfeld alleges violation of contract and asks the court to direct Mr. Hammerstein to deliver to him the manuscript of the opera, the scenery, and the models. Mr. Hammerstein, when seen last night made a general denial of the allegations, and said that he would prove that Mr. Lowenfeld was wrong in his statement when the proper time comes. He said further that the performance would be given without any doubt and the action of Mr. Lowenfeld did not worry him at all.

RHODE ISLAND REPUBLICAN.

Senator Aldrich May Be Returned Without Opposition.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 6.—The State election yesterday resulted in an overwhelming Republican victory. Neither party conducted a live campaign, the success of Gov. Dyer and his associates being a foregone conclusion.

At 12:45 A.M. 77 out of 105 districts in the State show for Governor: Dyer, (Rep.) 13,830; Church, (Dem.) 7,116; Reid, (Soc. Labor.) 1,688; Lewis, (Proh.) 2,111. This includes but four of the twenty-two Providence districts.

The Legislature will be Republican, insuring the re-election of United States Senator Aldrich. The Democrats in the two houses will number only about a dozen, and as no Democratic candidate for the Senatorial nomination has appeared, Senator Aldrich may be unopposed.

Tiverton, the home of Church, which cast a complimentary majority for him in 1897, went for Dyer to-day. Block Island was Republican a year ago, but went the other way this year.

GREAT EXPECTATIONS.

The Many Millions the Self-Called Anneke Jans Heirs Want.

From The Cleveland (Ohio) Leader, March 27.

The convention of the Anneke Jans heirs, which has been held in the Jennings Avenue Disciple Church the last two days, ended last evening, and the one hundred delegates who came from points outside of Cleveland will scatter to their homes all over the United States and Canada this morning.

All the heirs were pleased with the work of the convention, all the proceedings of which were carried on with almost perfect harmony. The leaders were especially pleased, and they asserted that now that the heirs are all in harmony and presenting a united front, their chances for getting possession of the hundreds of millions' worth of property to which they claim membership are increased.

At yesterday's session the idea of organizing an international stock company was dropped, and the organization of the heirs reverts to where it was two years ago, when the stock company idea was adopted. A new international association of heirs was formed, to be known as the International Union of Heirs of Anneke Jans Bogardus, and it was decided to adopt the same constitution and by-laws as the Pacific Coast Association of the heirs.

A telegram was sent from the convention to the Pacific Coast Association offering to consolidate interests with that body, which is very strong, both in members and financial resources. The following officers of the new organization were elected: President—The Hon. D. E. Dosier of Defiance, Ohio; Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Jennie Kepler of Cleveland; Recording Secretary—Mrs. W. S. Pettibone of Cleveland; Vice Presidents—Dr. J. P. Duake of Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Mary E. Taurman of Oneonta, N. Y.; G. A. Johnson of Brownsburg, Ind.; W. Bogardus Strong of Lincoln, Neb.; A. A. Van Riper of St. Louis, Mich.; W. G. Van Tilborough of Hamlet, Ind.; C. W. Kaufman of Villa Nova, Ont.; Miss M. B. Strong of Champaign, Ill.; J. W. Drake of Kingsville, Ont.; Mrs. Madeline Bys of Painesville; Mrs. Alice Pierson of Madella, Neb.; A. N. Yant of Forrest, Ohio.

These officers will also constitute the Board of Directors. A resolution was adopted authorizing the Board of Directors to send a committee to Holland to look after the money interests of the heirs there. In the latter part of the sixteenth century, William, Prince of Orange, Anneke Jans's grandfather, left certain properties in that country in trust for his heirs of the sixth and seventh generations. The income was to be collected and placed in the Orphans' Chamber and accumulated at 3 per cent. interest until the time of distribution should arrive. This money has been accumulating for over 200 years, and amounts to $80,000,000, now held in the Bank of Holland, successor to the Orphans' Chamber. The Anneke Jans heirs are going after this money, and will push their claims with great vigor, they say.

In addition to these millions and the millions which will revert to them if the 192 acres in the business district of New York City, which, they claim, is a part of the Anneke Jans property, the heirs have a few more millions in sight. They claim that over 2,000 acres of land in upper Harlem is also a part of the estate. This property fifty years ago was valued at $80,000,000. The heirs declared last evening that they were going to take steps at once to get possession of the Harlem part of the estate and clone it up.

All the sessions of the convention were secret. It was adjourned to meet at the call of the Board of Directors.

OUR NAVY AND ITS SURGEONS.

From The International Journal of Surgery.

With the possibility before us of a war impending in which the conflict would be chiefly a naval one; with hurried preparations on a large scale tending to a large increase in our naval force; with the enlisting of men, the mounting of guns, the drilling of crews, we hear nothing of measures destined toward an improvement of the medical service of the navy. We have long been aware that Surgeons in the lower grades of the navy are secured with difficulty, and that there are many unfilled positions in the service. We know that those who are appointed have long complained that their position on board of our men-of-war is not compatible with their standing in the community, and that they are compelled to share the quarters and messes of officers who occupy the lower ranks of the naval hierarchy.

It is certain that if actual war were declared the patriotism of our Nation is so great that, notwithstanding the drawbacks we have mentioned, the vacant positions would be immediately filled by volunteers from the ranks of the profession. But if those in authority had at an earlier day considered the defects that have long been pointed out in no uncertain terms, there would at the present time exist no vacancies excepting those occurring from time to time through the increase of our naval armament. Instead of an enthusiastic force of volunteers, efficient in medical and surgical knowledge, but untrained for the peculiar duties attached to the conduct of medical matters afloat, we would now have a sufficient number of Surgeons skilled in the special work inherent to their positions.

When we consider how vast are the numbers of young men in our profession who find themselves unable to eke out a living, owing to the competition existing in our ranks, we can only come to the conclusion that matters must be pretty bad in the navy when young men are not attracted by the prospect of travel, of encouraged work and study, of a fair remuneration for their work, and the assurance of an honorable position among men. It is sincerely to be hoped that the preparations for the defence of our country in these days will include measures for the improvement of a branch of the naval service second to no other in importance. Any neglect of this pressing need must prove in many ways disastrous.

Hot Times in Georgia.

From The Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution.

In a group of ex-Confederate veterans the other day the following notes were taken:

One man with one leg.

Three men, who had lost an arm each.

One man whose hand was shot off.

One man whose leg had been bent by a bullet.

Three men with broad scars on their faces.

And every man of the crowd was anxious for another war, and willing to do what he could to help the country along!

A Georgia farmer, who was very much in earnest about it, sent the following letter to a recruiting officer recently: "Have you any place in the army for a no-'count boy of mine, who has been a-raisin' time an' addoin' of nuthin'?"

A patriotic veteran, who can rhyme as well as fight, sent us this from Baconton:

"I'm ready, I'm ready to shoulder my gun—
Don't keer what the fightin' is for,
If the Guv'ment 'll give me a leg for the one—
The one it shot off in the war!
(Encore!)
For the leg it shot off in the war!"

Oldest Newsboy in St. Louis.

From The St. Louis Republic.

Simon Peter Walter has many reasons to be proud. He is in all probability the oldest newsboy in St. Louis, having passed his eighty-third birthday on the 24th of last July. For all his years, he is strong and seems to get about as well as his young companions, all of whom look up to Uncle Walter and love the old man almost as a father. Another reason why he is proud is because of his ancestry, which he traces back to Colonial times. Among his distinguished relatives is Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, whom Mr. Walter claims as a second cousin. Grant's mother and Walter's mother were cousins. The old man has a remarkable memory, and takes great delight in telling the tales of wartime adventure in which his grandfathers and uncles did daring deeds and made thrilling escapes from death. Mr. Walter himself has seen military service in the civil war. He enlisted in the Union service, and so did his grandson in the Spanish war.

ROWSEY—CIMIOTTI.

A Wedding Ceremony and a Silver Anniversary Jointly Celebrated.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Cimiotti, 861 West End Avenue, was the scene last night of the marriage of their daughter, Miss Emma Louise Cimiotti, to Herman Rowsey and their own silver wedding.

The marriage ceremony yesterday was performed by the Rev. Dr. Merle St. Croix Wright. Several musicians from the Seidl Philharmonic Orchestra furnished the music, and played the wedding march from "Lohengrin" before the ceremony, which took place under a canopy of greens and lilies at 7:30 P. M. A double heart of ivy leaves, transfixed with an arrow, figured in the decorations of the room, which Warendorff arranged.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore white satin and duchesse lace, and a tulle veil, caught with orange blossoms. She carried white roses and lilies of the valley. Miss Clara Beyer, the maid of honor, was in white silk mulle, and carried white roses. The bridesmaids, Miss Annie Cimiotti, the bride's sister, and Miss Clara Mahon wore green silk, covered with white net, and carried Easter lilies. Herman August Heydt attended Mr. Rowsky as best man, and the ushers were Charles Ernest Heydt, Walter Cimiotti, Gustav Cimiotti, Jr., and Ferdinand Cimiotti.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Cimiotti received with the bride and bridegroom. Mrs. Cimiotti wearing dove-colored silk. Both couples had received many handsome gifts. There was a wedding supper, dance, and reception, at which about 150 people were present, among them being Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Rader, Adolph Bowsky, the bridegroom's father; Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Bowsky, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. M. Bowsky, Mr. and Mrs. William Schwenker, ex-Senator and Mrs. Charles A. Stadler, Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand F. Cimiotti, Dr. and Mrs. William Balser, and Miss Eliza Fountain.

Herit—Eadie.

Miss Elisabeth B. Eadie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew R. Eadie of 973 Bergen Street, Brooklyn, was married to Adolph F. Herit of Brooklyn last evening at the home of the bride's parents, by the Rev. Dr. E. P. Ingersoll, pastor of the Emmanuel Congregational Church. Miss Mildred Washburn was the maid of honor. George W. Eadie was best man, and the ushers were B. F. Alden and F. R. Blauvelt. A reception followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Herit left at midnight for an eight weeks' trip in the South. They will make their home at 502 Jefferson Avenue, Brooklyn.

Paine-Smith Wedding.

Miss Geraldine Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Smith of 174 West Eighty-seventh Street, will be married to Asa Hammond Paine of this city on April 20 at 8:30 P. M. in St. Agnes's Protestant Episcopal Chapel, Columbus Avenue and West Ninety-second Street. Two thousand invitations have been issued for the ceremony. Mr. Smith is Captain of Company F of the Twenty-second Regiment, and has been connected with the regiment for the last twenty-two years. The regimental chaplain, the Rev. Dr. Dunnell, will officiate. A reception for relatives and intimate friends will follow at Delmonico's.

THE RAINY DAY CLUB MEETS.

The Members Hear a Paper by Mrs. Belle Gray Taylor.

Although it looked like snow and slush when the members of the Rainy Day Club started out for their meeting at Tuxedo Hall, Madison Avenue and Fifty-ninth Street, yesterday afternoon, there was not an abbreviated skirt to be seen. A paper on "Art in Dress," by Mrs. Belle Gray Taylor was the feature of the afternoon.

"Now, as a matter of fact," said Mrs. Taylor "a thing to be useful need not be ugly—a very prevalent idea. I once heard a man say he considered it woman's first duty to make herself as beautiful as possible. Now, ladies, we are not so far advanced that we can utterly ignore the masculine opinion—and there is a great deal in this remark." Mrs. Taylor's suggestion about masculine opinion was received with a mild amount of applause, although some of the ladies seemed to resent it a bit.

"A woman who affirms that she does not care for dress," Mrs. Taylor continued—"other and higher things being of much greater moment—may be taking lofty moral ground, but she is certainly lacking in a sweet femininity that makes her attractive."

A musical programme was also enjoyed by the club members, and several speeches limited to two minutes in length were made. Two of the speakers were Mrs. Junita Salisbury, who referred to children's dresses and Mrs. Joseph Burgoyne.

Influenced, it is said, by the rumored charge that rainy-day costumes are rare among the members, the club will give a reception, at which each member attending must wear a rainy-day costume, on May 4, at the Tuxedo, from 4 to 7 P. M. Men will be invited.

SOCIETY NOTES.

Mrs. Lillian Gibbs-Keys will lecture on "Ideal Married Life" at Mrs. Russell Sage's, 506 Fifth Avenue, on Friday evening.

An Easter tea and sale was held yesterday afternoon and evening at the home of Mrs. Sidney V. Lowell, 164 Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, for the benefit of the Neighborhood Settlement of Greenpoint, Brooklyn, and was well attended by many of Brooklyn's most prominent people. Those who poured tea were Miss Edna DeCerseos, Miss Mabel Dickerson, Miss Florence Lowell, Miss Alice Lowell, Miss Anna Kimball, Miss Alice Gibb, Miss Edith Gibb, Miss Mary Snedeker, Miss Fannie Moss, Miss Louise Maxwell, Miss Ethel Pearsall, Miss Clara Packard, and Miss Stella Van Anden.

HELD FOR FORGING NOTES.

John L. Tucker Must Await the Arrival of Officers from Boston.

John L. Tucker of 232 West Twenty-second Street was arraigned before Magistrate Olmsted in the Centre Street Police Court yesterday on a charge of forging the name of John Stewart to several notes amounting in all to $7,500. Mr. Stewart is a dealer in machinery at 374 Canal Street.

It is said that the notes were sent to Boston and were disposed of by three men in that city. They were discounted by Frank E. Lyman, the Boston representative of several New York millinery houses. It is supposed that about $15,000 worth of the forged paper is out. Tucker was held to await the arrival of officers from Boston.

UNION LONGSHOREMEN MEET.

Efforts Are Being Made to Obtain a Higher Wage Scale.

The American Longshoremen's Union held a meeting in Cooper Union last night to perfect the organisation and consider the future policy of the union. Edward McHugh, who was sent to this country by the British Federation of Seamen Dockers, to organise a union of longshoremen on the same scale in this vicinity, presided. About 400 members of the new union were present.

Many speeches were made, the most important being that of Chairman McHugh. The longshoremen are now receiving from 25 to 40 cents an hour, and the first step of the union will be to secure an increase for the men getting 25 cents. When this demand is granted they will seek to raise the entire scale.

Francis J. Devlin asked the men to oppose the election of Superintendent Smith of the Cunard Line, who is a candidate for Street and Water Commissioner in Jersey City. He charged Mr. Smith with refusing to employ union men.

Sound Steamer Service Resumed.

The Priscilla and Puritan will be placed in commission commencing Saturday, when the Plymouth and Pilgrim will be withdrawn from service. Sunday trips will be resumed commencing May 1. The leaving time of steamers from New York and of train from Boston connecting with steamers at Fall River returning will be the same as on week days. Commencing Monday the leaving time of steamers from New York will be 5:30 instead of 5 P. M., as at present. The annex boat service between Pier 19, North River, and the Pennsylvania Railroad Station, Jersey City, has been resumed.

"Jack" Knowles Very Ill.

"Jack" Knowles, the bicycle rider, who has been in Bellevue Hospital since Jan. 17, suffering from consumption, was very low last night. The physicians do not think there is any chance of his recovery.

MUSIC FOR EASTER.

The Programmes Announced for the Services on Sunday in Many Churches.

Programmes of music for Easter have been arranged at many of the city churches as follows:

MANHATTAN BOROUGH.

Protestant Episcopal.

PRO CATHEDRAL, 130 Stanton Street—Clerical staff—The Right Rev. Henry C. Potter, Bishop of New York; the Rev. Dr. C. C. Tiffany, Archdeacon of New York; the Rev. H. P. Nelson, the Rev. D. Greer, P. Astley, the Rev. Ralph H. Baldwin, and the Rev. Dr. L. L. Humphreys. At 10:30 A. M.—Processional Hymn, 110; St. Kevin; Christ Our Passover, plain song; We Know in Christ Stephens; Jubilate in D, Field; Introit Hymn, 61, Palestrina; Kyrie and Gloria Patri in F, Tours; Sermon Hymn, 368, Knightsbridge; Offertory Anthem, Tours; Sanctus in F, Tours; Communion Hymn, 365, Eucharistic Hymn; Gloria in Excelsis, Old Chant; Nunc Dimittis, plain song; Recessional Hymn, 117, Pascal; Organ Prelude, A. P. Peace. Prelude, Air, Bach; Processional Hymn, 120, Marion; Psalms, 113, 114, 118, selections for Easter; Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, in D, Field; anthem, The Angels' Easter Song, Henry Hyatt Brewer; Sermon Hymn, 122, St. Albinus; Offertory Anthem, Tours; Recessional Hymn, 18, St. Leonard; Postlude. The music for these services will be rendered by a surpliced choir of twenty-eight men and boys, assisted by a quartet, chorus of eight female voices, and will be repeated on the Sunday following Easter. A string quartet will assist on Easter Sunday evening. W. R. Chapman, musical director; Mr. H. Fortin, assistant; Mr. Wilson, violinist.

CHRIST CHURCH, Boulevard and West Seventy-first Street, Rev. Jacob B. Shipman.—Morning prayer, 11 o'clock; Prelude—organ, harp, and cornet, (Bach-Gounod); Processional; Christ our Passover; Te Deum, (Martin,) with organ, harp, and cornet accompaniment, composed 1897, for jubilee services, St. Paul's Cathedral, London; Jubilate, (Calkin;) Hymn; Chorus, (Mendelssohn,) Praise thou the Lord, O my spirit, and my inmost soul praise His great loving kindness, All that have life and breath, sing to the Lord, Recessional; Evening prayer, 8 o'clock. Processionals. Magnificat, Gounod; Deus, Attwood; Hymn; Offertory, Gounod; Hymn; Recessional.

TRANSFIGURATION, East Twenty-ninth Street, between Madison and Fifth Avenues, the Rev. Dr. George C. Houghton.—Mating, 10:30 A. M.—Processional, Jesus Christ is Risen To-day; Easter Anthem, Christ, our Passover is Sacrificed for Us, Humphreys; Te Deum in C, Dyer; Benedictus, Dyer; Choral Celebration, 11 o'clock.—Introit, O God of God! O Light of Light! Le Jeune; Eucharistic Office, in B flat, Mosart; Office Hymn, The Strife is o'er, Palestrina; Sentence, by the Celebrant; Offertory, The Air (violin,) Bach; Recessional, Jesus lives! thy terrors now, Dr. Gauntlett. Choral Evensong, 4 o'clock.—Processional, Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; Clark; Magnificat, in D, Gounod; Nunc Dimittis, in D, Gounod; Antiphon, The Resurrection, Tours; Offertorium, The Trumpet shall sound, Handel; Recessional, Jesus Christ is risen again, German; Introit, O God of God! O Light of Light!

ST. LUKE'S CHAPEL, 481 Hudson Street, Philip A. Brown, Vicar.—Processional, Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain, Sullivan; Te Deum, Jubilate in B, H. W. Parker; Hymn 115, Crucifer; Kyrie Eleison, Gloria Tibi, B. S. Hahn; Hymn 122, Gauntlett; offertory anthem, God Hath Appointed a Day, B. Tours; at the presentation, Glory of God, J. Barnby; Sanctus, R. S. Huhn; Gloria in Excelsis, plain song; Recessional Hymn 133, A. A. Sullivan; Postlude. Organ and string quartet, P. Hassenstein. Soloists: Miss Elisabeth Putnam, soprano; Miss Irene Van Tine, contralto; W. Wathen Dunn, tenor; Augustus T. Wolcott, bass; Miss June Reed and Miss Agnes Proctor, violins; Miss Corinne Flint, viola; Miss Josephine Gardner, violoncello, and chorus of thirty; Bruno S. Huhn, organist and choirmaster.

ST. IGNATIUS'S, 56 West Fortieth Street, the Rev. Arthur Ritchie.—Solemn Mass, 11 A. M.; prelude, a, largo in F, Haydn, b, grand march in E, Salomé; string orchestra and organ; processional, French melody, Introit, Hymn; W. H. Monk; Schubert's Mass in flat; full orchestra, with organ, full choir, and solo quartet; offertoire, andante cantabile, Tschaikowsky; recessional, Palestrina; postlude, Offertoire in F, J. Grison.

ST. CLEMENT'S CHURCH, East Twenty-eighth Street, the Rev. E. H. Van Wimple.—Morning prayer; Processional Hymn 121, The Strife Is O'er, Palestrina; Anthem, Christ Our Passover, Savage; Te Deum, J. L. Hopkins; Jubilate, Hindle; Recessional; 118, Holy Communion; Processional Hymn 121; Kyrie, Gounod's Messe Solenelle; Gloria Tibi and Gratlas; Nicene Creed; Offertory, They Have Taken Away My Lord, Stainer; Sanctus, Gounod; Benedictus; Agnus Dei, Gloria in Excelsis; Recessional Hymn, 110, Come, Ye Faithful, Sullivan; Organ Postlude. Evening—Processional Hymn; Gloria Patri, Savage; Magnificat in D, C. J. Marks, Jr.; Nunc Dimittis, in D, Marks; Anthem, Awake Up My Glory, Barnby; Hymn, 116, Jesus Christ Risen To-day, Worgan; Recessional Hymn. Chancel choir, sixteen voices; gallery choir, twenty voices. G. J. Tattam, organist and choirmaster.

Roman Catholic.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, Fifth Avenue and Fiftieth Street, the Most Rev. Michael A. Corrigan, Archbishop; Michael J. Lavelle, Rector. 11 A. M., Solemn Pontifical Mass; Prelude, for orchestra and organ, Lachner; Processional, Hallelujah Chorus, Beethoven; Kyrie, Grand Mass No. 3 in D, Hummel; Gloria, Grand Mass No. 3, in D, Hummel; Graduale, Hasc Dies, Rougnon; Credo, Grand Mass No. 6, in B flat, Haydn; Offertory, Regna Terrae, Curtis; Sanctus, Grand Mass No. 6, in B flat, Haydn; Benedictus, Grand Mass No. 6, in B flat, Haydn; Angus Dei, Grand Mass No. 6, in B flat, Haydn; Recessional, Be Not Afraid, chorus, Mendelssohn; Postlude, Kretschmar. 4 P. M., Solemn Pontifical Vespers; Dixit Dominus, Marzo; Psalms of the Day, Gregorian; Magnificat, Marzo; Regina Coeli, Mairli; Tantum Ergo, in A major, Rigs; Postlude, Handel. The soloists will be: Soprano, Miss Hilke; alto, Miss Clary; tenor, Mr. Kaiser; bass, Mr. Steinbuch. Full chorus and orchestra. The chancel choir will be under the direction of Mr. James Unger. At the 11 A. M. service William G. Dietrich will assist at the organ. William F. Pecher, organist.

ST. STEPHEN'S, 149 East Twenty-eighth Street, the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Colton.—High Mass, 11 A. M. Solo quartet, grand chorus, grand organ, and Diller's horn quartet, all under the direction of Charles Wels, organist. Introductory, Fantasia Triumphale, Dubois; organ solo and horn quartet; Vidi Aquam, Pecher. Mozart's Twelfth Mass; Graduale, Hasc Dies, Wels. (new;) offertory, Regina Coeli, Wels; recessional, Hallelujah Chorus from the Messiah, Handel. Vespers, 4 P. M.—March, Die Folkunger, Krechmar; Domine ad Adjuvandum, Beethoven; Hasc Dies, Wels, (new;) Dixit Dominus, Haydn; proper Psalms of the day; Magnificat, Batt; Regina Coeli, Pownall; Salutaris, Wels, No. 1; Tantum Ergo, Rigs, March; Pontificale, Geuned.

ST. LEO'S, East Twenty-eighth Street, between Fifth and Madison Avenues, the Rev. Thomas J. Ducy.—Low Mass, at 7, 8, and 10 o'clock A. M. Solemn High Mass at 11 o'clock.—Organ Meditation services at 4:30 P. M. At 10 A. M. selections on the organ by the organist, Mr. Joseph Posnanski, from the works of Beethoven, Wagner, Chopin, Guilmant, and Posnanski. At 4 P. M. (Solemn High Mass;) overture, Fidelio, Beethoven; Richard Arnold's String Sextet, and organ; First Mass in F, Guilmant; Soli, Chorus, sextet, and organ; Veni Creator, No. 2, (contralto solo,) Posnanski; violin solo, Legende, Wieniawski; recessional, The Strife Is O'er, Palestrina. Soloists: Masters C. C. Clarke, August Gasse, Robert Mansell; E. Selp, A. B. Patton, Julian Walker; Victor Baier; organist and choirmaster, Herman Hans Wetzler, assistant organist, and choir of forty voices.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, Fifth Avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Street, the Rev. Dr. George R. Van Dewater.—Choral celebration, 7 A. M.; processional hymn; introit, Awake Up My Glory, Barnby; communion service, in C, Tours; offertory anthem, Now Is Christ Risen, West. Morning prayer and choral celebration, 10:30 A. M.; processional hymn; Te Deum and Jubilate Deo, in C, Jordan; introit, hymn; communion service in D, Mohr; offertory anthem, I Will Mention, Sullivan; Sanctus, Gounod; recessional hymn, vested choir of forty men and boys. Soloists: Max Kinkeldy, soprano; Edwin Farlow, alto; Franklyn Bunn, tenor; George B. Sears, baritone; Walter A. Downie, bass; organist and choirmaster, Mr. Mallinson Randall. At 4

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The PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY will until May 1 purchase the above-described bonds
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23 Wall Street,
New York, April 1, 1898.
To the holders of
Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Co.
Six Per Cent. Gold Bonds,
due April 1, 1919,
and known as
PARKERSBURG BRANCH BONDS:

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company and its Receivers having this day defaulted in the payment of interest due on the above-described bonds, all holders of such bonds are invited to deposit same with us for their protection under a Bondholders' Agreement, of which copies may be obtained at our office. Transferable receipts will be issued for deposited bonds.

Among the purposes of such agreement are the enforcement of the lien of the mortgage in case the default continues, and if necessary, the reorganization of the property covered by said mortgage, for the benefit of the bondholders.

In our judgment, prompt action by bondholders is necessary.

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FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS.
Trustees' Office, Room 83, Drexel Building.
New York, Feb. 16, 1898.

The Trustees have this day designated, by lot, the following:

54	197	1360	1885	2146	2388	2652	2940
94	245	1372	1889	2174	2397	2685	2958
72	305	1494	1900	2210	2417	2688	2993
112	325	1522	1905	2220	2492	2690	3029
135	357	1597	2003	2236	2454	2741	3039
138	382	1617	2042	2263	2486	2766	3058
152	385	1714	2045	2285	2503	2806	3140
160	402	1771	2060	2302	2507	2849	3222
168	420	1774	2119	2305	2515	2885	3234
171	444	1809	2126	2322	2604	2931	3268
182	453	1846	2134	2328	2650	2937	3291
194	1567						

are the numbers of the ninety bonds, issued under the trust deed of the Chicago and Western Indiana Railroad Company, dated Nov. 1, 1879, to be redeemed, by the operation of the Sinking Fund, on May 1st next, at the office of Messrs. J. P. Morgan & Co., New York, at 105.

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Detroit, April 1st, 1898.

ONE (1) PER CENT. will be paid to the Registered holders of the outstanding Land Grant Bonds of this company on April 12th, being the amount of interest for six months ending March 31st, 1898.

Transfer books will close 7th inst., at the CENTRAL TRUST CO. OF N. Y., and reopen April 13th, 1898.

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THE FINANCIAL MARKETS

Stock market irregular.

The sensitiveness of the present stock market and the ease with which it is influenced by each bit of news was plainly shown yesterday. During the greater part of the day there were no new developments and no rumors of sufficient importance to bring about price movements; consequently the market at that time was stagnant and dull. Later, at the beginning of the final hour of business, Washington dispatches told that the President's message was not to be put before Congress for several days, and still other Washington dispatches of indefinite origin told improbable stories of a sudden decision by Spain to capitulate to American demands. On these stories there was a general covering movement among the shorts and prices moved up sharply, reacting somewhat when the wilder rumors met denial, but holding the greater part of their advances up to 3 o'clock.

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For several days past the small outstanding short interest has been growing more and more nervous over the failure of the market to respond to news which apparently warranted lower prices. The absence of liquidation has disconcerted it, and it was quite ready to be scared by the appearance of any news of a bullish character.

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It would not be reasonable to call yesterday's upturn anything more than an artificial movement. It was wholly professional. There was no investment buying; there was but little commission house buying. The bearish traders covered shorts and the bullish traders, joining in the melée, helped to bid stocks up.

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In the past two weeks stocks have recovered substantially from the low level to which they fell after the Maine disaster. At the close yesterday they were considerably above that level, although still far below where they were on Maine disaster day. And they were still far above where they were at this time last year. The following table, giving prices of stocks on April 7, 1897; on Feb. 15, 1898, the date of the Maine disaster; the lowest prices since, and the closing yesterday, gives some interesting comparisons:

	A Year Ago.	Feb. 15.	Low. Since.	Close Yesterday.
Atchison pf.	19¾	31¾	22⅞	26½
Brook. R. Transit.	20¼	41¼	35	39½
Burlington	70¼	102½	85⅝	94
Consolidated Gas	156½	193½	167	173½
Louis. & Nashville.	46⅝	60	45	51¼
Manhattan	84⅞	117⅝	91	98⅝
M., Kan. & T. pf.	28	38⅝	28⅝	33
Missouri Pacific	15⅝	33½	22	27¼
N. J. Central	77¼	96⅛	86½	91½
N. Y. Central	100⅜	118⅝	106	111¾
North Pacific pf.	37	66⅛	56⅝	63
Northwestern	105¼	128⅛	118¾	120
Omaha	59⅜	77⅞	65	69¾
People's Gas	77¾	96⅜	86¼	92¼
Reading 1st pf.	42½	51½	36	39½
Rock Island	83	91⅜	80	86¼
St. Paul	72¼	96⅝	85⅝	90½
Southern pf.	25⅝	32⅜	23¾	27¼
Sugar	111⅝	138⅝	107½	119¾
Tobacco	74⅝	92	86	102
Western Union	70½	92⅝	82¼	86⅝

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Government bonds were steady. There were sales of $22,000 4s, 1907, registered, at 108½, and $36,000 4s, 1925, coupon, at 120@121½.

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In State bonds, $23,500 Virginia funded debt 2-3s of 1991 sold at 68¼@67½.

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Net changes in stock quotations of one-half of 1 per cent. or more were:

Stocks Advanced.

Am. Spirits Mfg. pf.	½	Louis. & Nash.	1¾
Am. Sugar Ref.	3½	Manhattan Con.	1½
At., Top. & S. F. pf.	1	Met. St. Ry.	1½
Brook. Rap. Tr.	1	M. K. & T. pf.	1
Chi., B. & Q.	2½	Missouri Pac.	1½
Chi., M. & St. P.	1⅞	N. Y. Central	1⅛
Chi. & Northwest.	2¼	Norfolk & West. pf.	⅝
Chi., R. I. & Pac.	½	Northern Pacific	1
C., C. C. & St. L.	1	Northern Pac. pf.	1¼
Consolidated Gas	2½	Pacific Mail	1⅝
Den. & R. Grande pf.	⅝	People's Gas	1⅛
Detroit Gas	1½	Southern Pacific	½
Illinois Central	1¾	Southern Ry. pf.	1
Iowa Central	½	Tenn. Coal & Iron	1½
Laclede Gas	⅝	Union Pacific pf.	1
Lake E. & West	½	U. S. Leather pf.	1

Stocks Declined.

Kan. City P. & G.	½	Penn. R. R.	⅝
N. J. Central	½	West Chi. St.	1¼

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Net changes in bond quotations of 1 per cent. or more were:

Bonds Advanced.

C., B. & Q. deb 5s	1	P., S. & L. E. 1st	1½
Louis. & N. unif. 4s	1	T., C. & I. 1st Birm.	2

Bonds Declined.

B. & O. 6s, Parks Br.	2½	Int. & G. N. 2d	1½
Den. & R. G. 4s	1		

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

Money on call loans at 2@3 per cent., closing at 2 per cent.

Time money, 4½ per cent. for sixty days and 5@6 per cent. for longer periods. Commercial paper rates, 5 per cent. for sixty to ninety days' indorsements, 5½@6 per cent. for choice four to six months' single names, and 6½@7 per cent. for good names.

Clearing House exchanges, $116,955,281; balances, $6,400,892; Sub-Treasury debit balance, $556,543.

Money on call in London, 2 per cent. Discount in open market, 2⅝ per cent. for short and 2⅞ for three months' bills.

Foreign exchange market was dull. Posted rates were unchanged at $4.81 for sixty days and $4.84 for demand. Actual business was done at $4.80¼@$4.80⅝ for sixty-day bills, $4.83¼@$4.83⅝ for demand, $4.83⅜@$4.83⅞ for cable transfers, and $4.79½@$4.80¼ for commercial.

In Continental, Paris francs were quoted at 5.24⅝ for long and 5.23⅛ for short. Reichsmarks at 95⅛ and 94⅛@94 5-16, and guilders at 39⅝ and 40@40 1-16.

New York exchange quoted as follows: Chicago—45c discount. Boston—10@12½c discount. San Francisco—Sight, 15c premium; telegraphic, 17½c premium. New Orleans—Commercial, $1 discount; bank, par. Savannah—Buying, par; selling, 1-10c premium. Charleston—Buying, par; selling, ⅛c premium. Cincinnati—Between banks, 60c discount; over counter, par. St. Louis—75@50c discount.

THE LONDON MARKET.

American shares were irregular in the London market. The principal changes were: Advanced—Illinois Central, ⅛ to 102; New York Central, ¼ to 114; Reading, ¼, to 8⅜, and Pennsylvania, ⅛, to 58⅛. Declined—Canadian Pacific, 1, to 82⅛; St. Paul, ⅜, to 91⅝; Louisville and Nashville, ⅝, to 50⅝; Erie, ⅝, to 12⅝, and Erie first preferred, ¼, to 38⅜. British consols declined 5-16, to 111, for money and ⅛, to 111⅛, for the account. India Council bills were allotted at 1s 2 13-16d per rupee. Gold to the amount of £186,000 was withdrawn from the Bank of England. In Paris, rentes sold at 103f 20c, and exchange on London was 25f 30½c.

WASHINGTON'S BIG LOSSES.

Houses with Washington connections were very active yesterday. They traded on both sides of the market during the first few hours of business, and gave it what little semblance of activity it had. Later in the day they ranged themselves on the buying side, a position which was afterward explained by the peace news from the capital. The sharp upward movement in the last hour was preceded by heavy buying by one of the largest of the Washington houses, which has all along been understood to have been heavily short of stock for the account of Washington statesmen speculators.

It is doubtful if any of the Washington houses or their Congressional customers have made money out of the present bear market. Price movements have been so artistic and so representative that the good information has apparently been the most dangerous. A Wall Street man identified with a prominent house which is at all times in touch with Washington, remarked yesterday that he was quite sure he would be able to reckon his wealth in millions if he could have just 1 per cent. of the losses that have been made in Wall Street by speculating on the very best Washington information during the past thirty days.

GOLD IMPORTS AND EXCHANGE.

Gold to the amount of $1,275,000 was announced as having been engaged for import yesterday. Of this, $650,000 was for Kidder, Peabody & Co. of Boston, $375,000 for Lazard Freres, and $250,000 for Heidelbach, Ickelheimer & Co. Since Feb. 25 there has been engaged in and imported from Europe and Australia over $51,000,000.

The exchange market yesterday was dull and somewhat firmer than of late. Actual rates advanced ¼c. Offerings of early maturing bills were smaller than heretofore. Exchange market authorities continue to predict lower exchange and large gold imports unless the diplomatic situation should suddenly change for the better.

WAR AND THE IRON TRADE.

Reviewing trade conditions, The Iron Age, foremost iron trade authority, will say to-day:

"Quite a good deal of material has been and is being placed for war purposes, and, of course, in the majority of instances immediate delivery is demanded. In some cases work for outside parties must be pushed out of the way. While involving a good deal of money and giving work to many shops, these army and navy orders do not cut much of a figure as to tonnage when compared with the requirements of large undertakings of a pacific character.

"New business is not coming up in great volume, and as a matter of fact, it is very doubtful whether the majority of plants are adding to their order books for the future as much as their current deliveries amount to. That is only natural in view of the suspense and alarm in the business world. It is just to state that so far we have not heard of any cancellations of orders, but we do learn that pretty plain intimations have come from large interests that war would promptly lead to them.

"There does not seem to have been much further progress in the movement to have the Bessemer pig producers in the Central West act as a unit. Further meetings are to be held.

"The agitation is going on for a comprehensive movement among the producers in the United States of foundry and mill irons, the largest firm of merchants having taken an active interest in the matter. The different districts are to have conferences and their representatives are to come together subsequently.

"In the meantime the foundry iron market has been going from bad to worse. Constant concessions are being made to capture business, while those who hold prices of their own volition or under gentlemen's agreements are simply not doing any business.

"The outcome of the bids on a lot of 8,200 gross tons of cast iron pipe for St. John, N. B., has been very interesting. In spite of the coming discriminating duty against us, a shop in Western Pennsylvania has carried off the order at figures lower than those of any other British, Canadian, or American competitor.

"The report is current that an Eastern mill has taken the order for 35,000 tons of rails for Russia. We understand that such is not the case, no final letting having taken place yet.

"The Bessemer pig and billets markets in the Central West have been very quiet. The only order placed is that for 12,000 tons of billets for an Eastern wire plant."

THE MONEY MARKET.

Money rates were unchanged yesterday, but the hardening tendency of the market was again perceptible. The movement of money to the interior is proving quite a drain on the New York banks, and many bankers are basing their predictions of higher rates in the near future upon this. As yet the demand for money has not increased to any extent, which has proved a very important factor in the market during the past few days.

GOVERNMENT BONDS ERRATIC.

Government bonds were weak in the early hours yesterday, but they subsequently rallied and closed strong. The new 4s, coupon, sold as low as 120, and afterward at 121½. At the close they were unchanged from yesterday's quotation. On the other issues closing bids were practically without change. Government bond brokers report a better demand for the new 4s than for some time. The transactions in them were larger than at any time of late.

Spanish 4s were decidedly weak on the foreign bourses during the early part of yesterday, but subsequently rallied on rumors of mediation, and closed with a recovery from their lowest price.

MR. MORGAN'S RETURN.

Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan's return from Europe is expected to be followed by important developments. Many rumors were in circulation yesterday as to their character, but at their best these were vague and uncertain. Chiefly Mr. Morgan's hurried return to New York is believed to have to do with important Government matters of a financial kind.

INTERRUPTION OF BUSINESS.

Indications are coming from all parts of the country of the interruption of general trade by the war scare. The fears that the United States will become embroiled in hostilities with Spain have evidently dampened much of the confidence which business men everywhere were expressing only a short time ago. Manufacturers and jobbers are reporting withdrawals of orders, and a decided falling off in inquiries of all kinds. Railroad earnings, on the contrary, continue phenomenal. The roads of all sections are steadily increasing their earnings, and many of these increases are large enough to warrant much bullish enthusiasm in Wall Street, if attention were only given them.

NEW YORK AIR BRAKE.

New York Air Brake stock has shown some activity of late, and there are to be heard reports of the steadily increasing business of the company. Within the past few days President Starbuck has secured an order for the equipment of 1,500 cars of one of the big Western systems. A Director is authority for the statement that last month's business was the largest in the history of the company, and for the prediction that that of the present month will double it. This authority states that there are more orders on the New York Air Brake's books than could be filled in six months, even though there was not another order received.

WALL STREET TALK.

The following topics of interest were discussed in Wall Street yesterday:

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Shipments of anthracite coal in March 200,000 tons in excess of output recommended.

Possibility of an advance in Bank of England rate of discount to-day.

Meeting of Directors of Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad. Election of Charles McCulloch as a Director to succeed E. P. Williams, resigned.

Contract closed by Union Pacific with Pullman Palace Car Company for operation of latter's sleepers over its system for term of fifteen years.

Return of J. P. Morgan to his office after his European trip.

Increase of $56,174 in Oregon Short Line's net earnings for February.

Plans being prepared for the construction of two large steamships for the Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

Unusually active trading in coffee. Price for April delivery advanced 6 points, making 70 points since Monday.

Incorporation at Albany of Boston and Montana Consolidated Copper and Silver Mining Company, with a capital of $8,280,000.

Heavy withdrawals of gold from the Bank of England.

London Stock Exchange holidays to-morrow, Saturday, and Monday.

Reorganization Committee for Central Vermont Railway organized with Richard Olney as Chairman.

RAILWAY STATEMENTS.

The following railways reporting yesterday gross earnings for the fourth week in March showed increases:

Fort Worth and Rio Grande	$4,257
International and Great Northern	4,063
Missouri Pacific	97,000
Central Branch	12,000
Norfolk and Western	1,783
Pittsburg and Western	25,020
Rio Grande Southern	1,961
St. Louis and San Francisco	8,854
St. Louis Southwestern	31,500

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Kanawha and Michigan showed a decrease of $5,022.

OUTSIDE SECURITIES.

As in recent days, Standard Oil yesterday was the feature of the outside security market. When the report obtained circulation in the Street that the President's message was delayed until Monday there was a sharp demand for this stock and the price was carried up to 864, an advance of 10 points. At this price selling orders came rapidly in and a recession of 2 points followed, making the day's net gain 5 points. Glucose and Malt, in sympathy with Standard Oil, closed fractionally higher.

Traction Quotations.

	Bid.	Asked.
Broadway & Seventh Avenue, ex div.	205	212
Broadway & Seventh Avenue 1st	106	110
Broadway & Seventh Avenue 2d	111	112
Broadway Surface 1st 5s	115	117
Broadway Surface 2d	106	107
Brooklyn City Railroad	198	201
Brooklyn, Bath & W. E. 5s	83	85
Brook. Elev. tr. r'cts, 2d asst. pd.	10	12½
Brook., Queens Co. & Suburban 5s	106	106
Brook., Queens Co. & Suburban 5s	107	109
Buffalo Consolidated 5s	107	109
Buffalo Street Railway stock	78	80
Buffalo Street Railway cons	109	111
Central Park, N. & E. River	177	185
Central Park, N. & E. River 7s	113	118
Columbus (Ohio) stock	45	48
Columbus (Ohio) con. 5s	97	99
Eighth Avenue Railroad	310	325
42d St., Man. & St. Nicholas Av.	57	63
42d St., Man. & St. Nicholas Av. 1st	116	117
42d St., Man. & St. Nicholas Av. 2d	90	97½
Kings County Elevated	1½	2½
Nassau 1st 5s, (Brooklyn Trolley)	100	103
New Orleans Traction common	2	3
New Orleans Traction pf	18	21
Ninth Avenue Railroad	192	194
Steinway R. R. Co. 6 p. c. 1st	115	117
Second Avenue Railroad 1st 5s	107½	108½
Sixth Avenue Railroad stock	195	210
Third Avenue Railroad	167	171
Union Railway 1st 5s, (Huckleberry)	111½	114
Union Railway stock	175	200
Worcester (Mass.) Traction	15	17
Worcester (Mass.) Trac. pf., ex div.	92	94

Ferry Securities.

Hoboken Ferry stock	85	88
Hoboken Ferry 5s	105	107
Metropolitan Ferry 5s	108	110
N. Y. & E. R. Ferry 5s	94	96
N. Y. & E. R. Ferry stock	72	74
Union Ferry	53	55
Union Ferry bonds	102	104

Natural Gas.

Fort Wayne Gas stock	78	81
Fort Wayne 1st 6s	89	91
Indianapolis Gas stock	115	125
Indianapolis Gas bonds	105	107
Lafayette (Ind.) Gas Company 1st 6s	90	91
Lafayette Gas Company stock	78	85
Logansport & Wab. Val. gas stock	57	60
Logansport & Wab. Val. 6s	70	74
Ohio & Indiana stock	59	60
Ohio & Indiana bonds, ex int.	66	69

Illuminating Gas.

Amsterdam common	26	27½
Amsterdam pf.	61	63
Buffalo (N. Y.) stock	27	29
Buffalo (N. Y.) 1st, with interest	91	92
Central Union 5s, guaranteed	100	101
Columbus Gas	87	90
Consolidated Gas Bonds of N. J.	70	80
Consolidated Gas of N. J.	16	21
Consumers' Gas (Jersey City) bonds	102½	104
Grand Rapids Gas stock	70	80
Mutual Gas Company of New York	310	325
Madison (Wisconsin) stock	56	60
N. Y. & E. R. Gas Co. 1st	108	112
N. Y. & E. R. Gas Co. con	104	106
Norfolk (Va.) Gas stock	88	90
Norfolk (Va.) Gas 1st	100	104
People's Gas Co. (Chi.) 5s, (int. on)	104	104¾
St. Joseph (Mo.)	35	40
St. Joseph (Mo.) 6s	88	90
St. Paul Gas stock	38	41
St. Paul Gas bonds	76	80
Standard Gas, New York	127	135
Standard Gas, New York, pf.	145	155
Standard Gas, New York, 1st	112	114
Syracuse Gas stock	17	19
Syracuse Gas 1st 5 p. c. bonds	89	91
Western Gas Company	78	80
Western Gas Company bonds	100	101

Industrials.

American Bank Note	42	44
American Typefounders'	38	41
Barney & Smith common	14	17
Cramps' Shipyard stock	63	75
Glucose common	89	89½
Glucose preferred	90½	91½
Herring-Hall-Marvin	¼	1¼
Herring-Hall-Marvin preferred	6	9
Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling pf.	45	50
Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling bonds	91	92½
Lorillard Company pf.	113	116
Malt common	22	23
Malt preferred, ex dividend	68	70
Michigan-Peninsular Car	9	12
Michigan-Peninsular 5 p. c. bonds	84	89
National Biscuit common	22	24
National Biscuit pf.	78	80
Nicaragua Canal Con., new	6	8
Pennsylvania Coal	320	340
Pratt & Whitney	10	14
Pratt & Whitney pf.	55	59
Standard Oil Trust	861	863
Trenton Potteries	9	11
Trenton Potteries pf.	48	51
Union Typewriter	6½	8
Union Typewriter 1st pf.	90	95
Union Typewriter 2d pf.	81	83½
Wagner Car Company	156	159½
Worthington Pump pf.	87	88½

The Miscellaneous List.

Acker, Merrall & Condit bonds	98	100
Anderson Tobacco Company	16	20
Central & South American Tel.	104	107
Commercial Cable stock	183	188
Electro-Pneumatic, asst. paid	1¼	1¾
Hudson River Telephone stock	72	75
Iron Steamboat	2½	4¾
Iron Steamboat 6s	55	60
Madison Square Garden 2d	30	40
Metropolitan El., Chicago, 1st 5s	45	49
N. Y. & N. J. Telephone	140	145
Northwestern Telegraph Company	112	117
Trow Directory pf.	85	90
Wool Exchange	110	120

BIDS FOR BANK STOCKS.

America	350	German-American	110
Columbia	150	Greenwich	160
Commerce	304	Hanover	300
Continental	195	New Amsterdam	245
Garfield National	850	New York	220

There was a sale of 10 shares of Park at 305.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.

BROOKLYN RAPID TRANSIT—

	1898.	1897.	1896.
Month March	$468,827	$407,760	.....
From July 1	4,078,770	3,597,317	.....

ELGIN, JOLIET & EASTERN—

Mileage	197	197	197
Month March	$148,687	$100,154	$134,195
FORT WORTH & RIO GRANDE—			
Mileage	146	146	146
4th week March	$11,707	$6,850	.....
Month	35,597	17,934	.....
INTERNATIONAL & GREAT NORTHERN—			
Mileage	775	775	775
4th week March	$102,906	$97,940	$66,785
Month	262,089	290,088	236,875
From July 1	3,215,656	3,184,825	2,507,565
KANAWHA & MICHIGAN—			
Mileage	172	172	172
4th week March	$9,447	$12,468	$12,201
Month	37,182	52,945	35,077
From Jan. 1	120,758	108,790	114,620
MISSOURI PACIFIC—			
Mileage	4,936	4,936	4,990
4th week March	$790,000	$623,000	$425,000
From Jan. 1	6,212,936	5,598,776	5,275,000
Central Branch—			
4th week March	41,000	29,000	22,000
From Jan. 1	316,423	256,088	170,000
NASSAU ELECTRIC—			
Month March	158,420	122,277	.....
From July 1	1,618,520	1,261,417	.....
NORFOLK & WESTERN—			
Mileage	1,570	1,570	1,570
4th week March	$120,902	$198,160	$201,522
Month	349,693	575,805	567,887
From July 1	5,500,940	7,052,901	.....
PITTSBURG & WESTERN—			
Mileage	205	205	205
4th week March	$102,161	$67,153	$73,430
Month	261,015	201,453	230,961
From July 1	2,166,719	1,861,319	2,276,460
RIO GRANDE SOUTHERN—			
Mileage	120	120	120
4th week March	$10,453	$8,523	$11,184
Month	30,008	27,173	32,904
From Jan. 1	$14,625	$66,038	$72,436
ST. LOUIS & SAN FRANCISCO—			
Mileage	1,425	1,225	1,225
4th week March	$183,637	$178,172	.....
Month	570,223	548,675	.....
From July 1	5,315,598	4,508,837	.....
ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN—			
Mileage	1,223	1,223	1,223
4th week March	$123,000	$106,500	$115,700
Month	420,000	367,000	361,500
From July 1	4,518,332	4,052,290	3,942,578
OREGON SHORT LINE for February—			
Gross earnings	420,477	364,307	362,333
Op. expenses	243,440	234,930	192,049
Net earnings	176,981	129,377	170,284
From July 1—			
Gross earnings	4,142,435	3,772,613	.....
Net earnings	1,858,499	1,582,599	.....

BULLION AND EXCHANGE.

Silver bullion certificates were quoted on the Stock Exchange at 59@60. There were no sales.

Bar silver in London 30d per ounce.

Commercial price of bar silver, 60c per ounce. Mexican silver dollars quoted at 46½c.

The Mercantile Safe Deposit Company holds 334,047.77 ounces of silver bullion.

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On the Consolidated Exchange, 1,000 shares of Alamo sold at 2⅜, 100 Hale & Belcher at .35, 200 Consolidated California & Virginia at .31, 1,000 Creede & Cripple Creek at .04, 500 Isabella at .21, 500 Mollie Gibson at .22, 500 Pharmacist at .07.

On the Mining Exchange, 15,000 shares of Alamo sold at .02¼@.02¾@.03¼, 500 Anaconda at .32@.32½, 100 Ancheria Leland at .65, 1,000 Cripple Creek Consolidated at .06⅜, 105,000 Cannon Ball at .004, buyer 60 .006⅜; 3,500 Garfield Gr. at .05¾@.06¼, 2,000 Golden Fleece at .41, 50,000 Gold Magnet at .006½, 700 Isabella at .21½, 5,000 Jefferson at .04¼, 16,500 Justine at .08¾@.09, 500 Lillie at .78½, 1,000 Mollie Gibson at 19½, 4,000 Mount Rosa at .10½, 31,000 Old Gold at .003½@.003⅝, 400 Portland at .74½, 227,000 Sentinel at .04½, buyer 40@.04⅝, buyer 60@ .00 cash @.01¼, buyer 10; 2,000 Tamarack at .005, 10,000 Union at .06⅜, 10,000 Yukon at .18, buyer 60.

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The closing quotations for mining stocks on the various Exchanges yesterday compared as following with those of Tuesday:

STOCK EXCHANGE.

	Tuesday. Bid.	Asked.	Yesterday. Bid.	Asked.
Alice	.60	1.00	.65	1.05
Alta	.13		.12	
Belcher	.32		.32	
Best & Belcher	.32	.40	.33	.43
Breece	.35	.42	.35	.43
Brunswick	.10		.10	
Choffar	.40			
Chrysolite	.08	.12	.10	.13
Comstock Tunnel Co.	.03	.04	.03	.04
Con. Cal. & Va.	.80		.79	1.00
Crown Point	.24			
Deadwood	.70	1.05	.65	1.00
Enterprise Mining Co.	.22		.20	
Father De Smet	.17	.23	.16	.21
Gould & Curry	.25		.25	
Hale & Norcross	1.10		1.05	
Horn Silver	1.25	1.50	1.25	1.50
Iron Silver		1.50		1.50
Kings & Pem. Iron	.15	.22	.16	.22
La Crosse	.11		.12	
Leadville	.07		.07	
Little Chief	.13		.14	
Mexican	.40		.40	
Ophir	.70		.70	
Phoenix Gold	.05	.06	.05	.06
Potosi	.40		.40	
Plymouth Cons	.07		.06	
Sierra Nevada	1.05			
Standard Cons	1.65	1.85	1.69	1.85
Union Cons	.40		.40	
Utah	.15		.15	
Yellow Jacket	.25		.25	

CONSOLIDATED EXCHANGE.

	Tuesday. Bid.	Asked.	Yesterday. Bid.	Asked.
Alice	.75		.70	
Albany G. M. Co.	.04			
Best & Belcher	.34		.33	
Breece	.30		.30	
Brunswick Cons	.12	.14	.10	.13
Belmont	.10		.10	
Caledonia B. H.	.60		.50	
Crown Point	.25		.20	
Chrysolite	.05		.08	
Con. Cal. & Va.	.80			
Com. Tun. Co. stock	.03		.03	
Com. Tun. Co. bonds	.03		.03	
Com. Tun. Co. scrip	.03		.03	
Crescent	.04		.04	
Catalpa	.07		.07	
Deadwood Terra		1.00	.75	1.00
Eureka Cons	.10		.10	
Father De Smet	.17		.17	
Gould & Curry	.25		.25	
Hale & Norcross	1.20		1.15	
Homestake	37.00		37.00	
Horn Silver	1.25		1.25	
Iron Silver	.33		.32	
Kingston &

THE BOARD OF CUSTOMS.

THE BEARS IN A PANIC.

NEWS OF THE RAILROADS.

STATE CANAL INQUIRY.

THE COMMERCIAL WORLD

REAPPRAISEMENTS OF IMPORTS

BOOKSELLERS' LEAGUE DINNER.

THE REAL ESTATE FIELD

Small Properties the Only Business Among Brokers—Little Interest in the Salesroom.

Chapman Friet has sold for Samuel Hoffman, to John H. Smith, the three-story building 157 East One Hundred and Fifty-first Street. Seven lots near Garden City, L. I., were given in part payment.

Edith Munck has sold to H. L. Wolfe, for $25,000, the five-story brownstone-front flat, 433 Columbus Avenue, 25.6 by 100. It is reported that the Van Buren estate leased to a builder for a long term of years the plot, 108 by 100, northwest corner of Fifth Avenue and Fourteenth Street, and that plans are already in preparation for a five-story building to be erected on the site.

Wielandt & Roth have purchased the old buildings 603 and 605 Sixth Street, 50 by 100.

Charles Weinstein has bought, for investment, the old building 29 Lewis Street, 25 by 100.

William Dorn has sold to John Sherman, for $20,500, the four-story brick dwelling 124 East Fourth Street, 25 by 72.

In the Trinity Building Salesroom yesterday Bryan L. Kennelly sold, in foreclosure, to Max Marx, for $10,000, the three-story stone-front dwelling 208 West One Hundred and Twenty-first Street, 18 by 100.11.

Foster F. Meyer & Co. sold, in foreclosure, for the plaintiff, Theodore W. Todd, for $10,000, the plot northerly corner of Suburban Street and Hull Avenue, 78 by 118 by 48 by 99.9; also, in foreclosure, to the plaintiff, the Metropolitan Improvement Company, for $56,640, the two four-story brick dwellings 318 and 320 West Ninety-first Street, each 20 by 100.8.

Thompson & Pryor sold, in foreclosure, to one of the defendants, Josephine H. Jenney, for $7,000, the three-story brick dwelling 27 West One Hundred and Thirty-second Street, 17.6 by 99.11; also, in foreclosure, to the plaintiff, the Mutual Life Insurance Company, for $7,200, the plot, with one-story frame buildings, Ninety-eighth Street, south side, 215 feet west of First Avenue, 40 by 100.11.

William W. Fogg sold, by order of the Surrogate, to Peter Daly, for $15,000, the two three-story brick dwellings 3,225 and 3,227 Third Avenue, 25 and 24, respectively, by 96.

Archibald C. Haynes & Co., managers of the Union Central Life Insurance Company, have rented for a term the entire seventh floor of the Continental Building, 44 to 48 Cedar Street.

To-day's Auction Sales.

The following sales at auction are down for to-day at 111 Broadway:

By John N. Golding, foreclosure sale, Robert Maxet, referee, 124 East Eighty-fourth Street, south side, 92.9 feet west of Lexington Avenue, 25.6 by 102.2, three-story frame tenement, with store, and a one-story frame building at the rear. Due on judgment, $9,976.

By William J. Kennelly, assignee's sale, Charles C. Dickelson, assignee, 26 West Twenty-third Street, south side, 225 feet west of Fifth Avenue, 25 by 100, four-story stone-front store; 12 East Fifty-seventh Street, south side, 225 feet east of Fifth Avenue, 25 by 120, four-story stone-front dwelling; 146 East Fifty-seventh Street, south side, 175 feet east of Lexington Avenue, 25 by 100, two and three story brick building; all title and interest of Eugene M. Earle in the foregoing parcels.

By Strong & Ireland, partition sale, Clifford W. Hartridge, referee, 115, 117, and 119 Greenwich Avenue, northwest corner of Jane Street, each 27.5 by 70 and irregular, three five-story brick tenements, with stores; 446 and 448 West Forty-sixth Street, south side, 208 feet east of Tenth Avenue, 50.5 and 16.6, respectively, by 100.5, two five-story brick tenements; 435 West Forty-fifth Street, north side, 125 feet west of Ninth Avenue, 25 by 100.5, five-story brick tenement, with stores.

By Thompson & Pryor, partition sale, Stuart F. Randolph, referee, 171 Bowery, east side, 120 feet south of Delancey Street, 25.5 by 125.4, four-story brick store, with one-story extension. Subject to mortgages for $14,000.

By Thompson & Pryor, foreclosure sale, Porte V. Ransom, referee, 16 and 18 West Sixtieth Street, 350 feet east of Columbus Avenue, 50 by 100.6, five-story stone-front flats. Due on judgment, $62,896.

By Thompson & Pryor, foreclosure sale, A. H. Vanderpoel, referee, 1,374 Lexington Avenue, west side, 24.4 feet south of Ninety-first Street, 16.7 by 88.3, three-story stone-front dwelling. Due on judgment, $10,705.

By Thompson & Pryor, foreclosure sale, James B. Campbell, referee, St. Nicholas Avenue, east side, 50 feet north of centre line of One Hundred and Forty-seventh Street, 60 by 100, vacant. Due on judgment, $18,223.

By Peter F. Meyer & Co., 18 West Ninety-third Street, south side, 175 feet west of Central Park West, 25 by 100.8, four-story brick dwelling. Due on judgment, $9,321; subject to other mortgages for $15,000.

By Peter F. Meyer & Co., 24 West Ninetieth Street, south side, 325 feet west of Central Park West, 20 by 100.8, four-story stone-front dwelling; all title and interest of John G. and Florence I. Silver, on Dec. 18, 1893.

THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

List of Plans Filed for New Structures and Alterations.

Eighty-eighth Street, north side, 175 feet west of Columbus Avenue, for eleven three-story and basement brick and stone dwellings, 16 and 20 by 50. Alonzo B. Kight of Morristown, N. J., owner and architect; cost, $143,000.

Nos. 155 and 157 West Thirty-fourth Street, for a six-story brick business building, 21 by 91.4. David Steiner of 217 Mercer Street, owner; George H. Van Auken, architect; cost, $24,000.

No. 159 West Thirty-fourth Street, for a six-story brick flat, 25 by 79.6, David Steiner, owner; George H. Van Auken, architect; cost, $28,000.

Eighty-first Street, north side, 305 feet east of Third Avenue, for a five-story brick flat, with stores, 25.5 by 88, Charles Ast of 1,528 Avenue A, owner; Edward Wens of 1,491 Third Avenue, architect; cost, $20,000.

No. 298 to 302 Central Park West, for a seven-story brick and stone hotel, 100.8 by 100, Francis V. N. Burling, owner; John R. Sheehan of 338 West End Avenue, architect; cost, $240,000.

No. 110 Manhattan Avenue, for a two-story brick hospital, 55 by 31, Half Orphan Asylum of 110 Manhattan Avenue, owner; John B. Baker of 156 Fifth Avenue, architect; cost, $10,000.

No. 2,195 Third Avenue, for a three-story brick bakery, 25 by 75, M. T. & J. H. Purdy of 2,195 Third Avenue, owners; B. & J. T. Walther, architects; cost, $20,000.

Hampden Street, south side, 100 feet west of Andrews Avenue, for a two-and-a-half-story frame dwelling, 27.6 by 57.4, Lizzie B. Cleverdon of 485 Mount Hope Place, owner; Cleverdon & Putzel, architects; cost, $12,000.

One Hundred and Seventy-sixth Street, south side, 57.6 feet east of Webster Avenue, for a three-story frame tenement, 21 by 60, Charles Scheib of 676 East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth Street, owner; Arthur Boehmer, architect; cost, $50,000.

Webster Avenue, southwest corner of Two Hundred and First Street, for a two and one story frame dwelling, with store, 46.2 by 100.1, Noah C. Rogers of 47 West Eighty-first Street, owner; Harry T. Howells of 748 East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Street, architect; cost, $4,000.

Byron Street, west side, 125 feet north of Dawson Street, for a two-story frame dwelling, 19 by 28, Edward Breen of 227 East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Street, owner; Lawrence & Ringrose of One Hundred and Fiftieth Street and Third Avenue, architects; cost, $2,000.

Main Street, east side, 50 feet south of Dawson Street, for two three-story frame dwellings, with stores, 25 by 55, Smith & Springsteel, owners; Lawrence & Ringrose, architects; cost, $8,000.

Grand Avenue, east side, 1,441 feet north of St. James Street, for two two-story frame dwellings and stable, 31 by 50, Alfred Stetson of 1,496 Minford Place, owner and architect; cost, $6,000.

Forest Avenue, southwest corner of Lyons Lane, for a four-story brick tenement, 50 by 67.2, William Hughes of 3,101 Third Avenue, owner; Adolph Pfeiffer of 826 Elton Avenue, architect; cost, $13,000.

One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street, south side, 95 feet west of Third Avenue, for a five-story brick flat, 20.5 by 80, Mary Schafer of One Hundred and Forty-fifth Street and Brook Avenue, owner; Edward Wens, architect; cost, $15,000.

Home Street, southeast corner of Fox Street, for a three-story frame dwelling, 25 by 56, Peter J. Stumpf of 1,209 Hoe Avenue, owner; Niels Toelberg, architect; cost, $5,000.

Home Street, south side, 21.4 feet east of Fox Street, for four two-story frame dwellings, 20 by 54, Peter J. Stumpf, owner; Niels Toelberg, architect; cost, $16,000.

Alterations.

Thomas Street, to a five-story and basement brick and stone office building, Equitable Life Insurance Company, owner; Clinton & Simon of 289 Fourth Avenue, architects; cost, $8,000.

Second Avenue, to a four-story brick tenement with store, 83 Berkowsky, owner; William Lamb of 276 Madison Street, architect; cost, $3,000.

Fifth Avenue, to a five-story brick tenement, with store; Peter Mans of 126 East Seventieth Street, owner; H. C. Pelton, architect; cost, $500.

111 West Thirty-fourth Street, to a five-story brick and stone dwelling, with store; A. M. Hagaman, owner; James B. Maser of 36 Eighth Avenue, architect; cost, $1,600.

37 West Twenty-first Street, to a three-story and basement brick dwelling; J. G. Buckley, owner; R. F. Hatfield of 31 Pine Street, architect; cost, $1,250.

209 Seventh Avenue, to a four-story brick tenement, with store; R. D. Greene of 178 Broadway, owner; M. Bernstein, architect; cost, $650.

Inwood Avenue, west side, 330 feet north of One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Street, to a one-story frame dwelling; Margaret Gerrity, owner; W. A. O'Hea, architect; cost, $1,000.

White Plains Avenue, west side, 164 feet north of 169th Street, to a two-story frame dwelling; P. & T. Butler, premises, owner; Lawrence & Ringrose, architects; cost, $2,000.

Recorded Real Estate Transfers.

Wednesday, April 6.

BAXTER ST, 140, 24.10x78.5x24.10x80.4; William H. Hastings and others, executors to Mary E. Hastings and others.. 15,000

BAXTER ST, 140, 24.10x78.5x24.10x80.4; William H. Hastings and wife to Mary E. Hastings and others, 1-5 part..... 1

BLEECKER ST, 161, n s, 21x75; Amos F. Eno to Amos F., Eno and others, executors..... 1

CENTRE ST, 218, 23x35.8x23.8x37.6; William H. Hastings and others, executors, to Mary E. Hastings and others..... 23,000

CENTRE ST, 308, 25x44x26x44.6; William H. Hastings and others, executors, to Mary E. Hastings and others..... 27,000

CENTRE ST, 208, s e s, 20x44x28x44.6; William H. Hastings and wife to Mary E. Hastings and others, 1-5 part..... 1

CENTRE ST, 216, 23.7x35.8x28.8x37.8; William H. Hastings and others, executors, to Mary E. Hastings and others..... 23,000

CENTRE ST, 216, 23.7x35.8x28.8x37.8; William H. Hastings and wife to Mary E. Hastings and others, 1-5 part..... 1

DIVISION ST, e s, 46.5 ft s of Clinton St, 23.4x- to East Broadway; Jonas Weil and others to Annie Roggen..... 1

ELDRIDGE ST, 45, w s, 25x100; George W. Fanning and wife to Rosi Resler..... 1

ELM ST, 143, w s, 25x73.10; William G. Choate, referee, to Samuel H. Stone..... 24,200

ELM ST, 142, w s, 25x73.10; Fernando Baltes, as executor, to Samuel H. Stone. 15,000

GRAND AV, s s, 23 ft n of Clinton Place, 17x100; Andrew J. Connick and wife to Virginia T. Mellenauer..... 1

GREAT JONES ST, 30, 25.8x100; Leopold Kaufmann and wife to Jonas Weil and another..... 100

JACOBSON ST, n s, 66.10 ft s of 166th St, 20x77.5; George Bechmann to Peter G. Malchow and another..... 7,700

LENOX AV, s s corner of 115th St, 125.11 x75x irregular; John Glass, Jr., to Orrin T. Person..... 1

LOTS 38 AND 44, Map of 475 lots of Haight estate, Westchester; Anna T. E. Sentz to Clara Schumann..... 400

MADISON ST, n s, 12.6 ft w of Scammel St, 18.9x29.4; Sarah Gray to Nathan P. Waldman..... 1

MADISON ST, 329 to 333, and 21 and 23 Scammel St; Nathan P. Waldman to Pincus Lowenfeld and another..... 2,000

MERCER ST, n w corner of 157th St, 101.9x40x101.8x99; Enoch C. Bell and wife to Ellen J. Taylor..... 1

PEARL ST, 442, 25x106.9x26x109.3; Abraham Kaufmann and wife to Michael J. Mahoney and another..... 1

PRIVATE RD, e s, w of Old Albany Road, 50x100, adjoining farm of Joseph Delafield; Frank F. Fitzpatrick and others to John Fitzpatrick..... 1

ST. ANNS AV, s w corner of 134th St, 8.8x--x84.6x150; Augustus H. Vanderpoel, referee, to Robert Hall and another..... 11,000

TELLER AV, s e s, 474.1 ft n e of 169th St, 50x80.7x50x80.11; Ephraim R. Levy to Emanuel Kesner..... 2,200

TIFFANY ST, n e corner of 167th St, 32.11 x76.9x18x82.9; Tiffany St, s w corner of 167th St, 94.6x35.6x75x60.2; Constance M. L. Miller, dilmadary, and as executor, to Joseph Mount..... 1

TILDEN, or ASH, AV, n e corner of 24 St, 121x199x irregular, William's Bridge; Michael Murtha and wife to Octavia C. Heppolett..... 1

UNCAS ST, s s, Lot 659, map of Welton, Port Morris, and East Morrisania, 50x 125; Trustees of the Deutsch Evangelisch-Lutherische St. Paulus Gemeinde zu, East Morrisania, to the Roman Catholic Church of St. Adalbert..... 6,000

WASHINGTON ST, 744, w s, 21.5x81; Charles Smith to Emma Kyle..... 1

WASHINGTON ST, 515, e s, 21.3x66.6x 21.5x56.6; Samuel Strasburger, referee, to Dominick Manfasi and others..... 9,500

WILLET ST, e s, 112.6 ft n of Broome St, 25x100; Adolf Schlesinger to Rosi Resler. 1

47TH ST, 25 East, with strip on e s; Henry Metzger and others to Elias Kempner..... 21,000

47TH ST, 25 East; 21x127.4x21x126.4; Aurelia Lowy and another to Elias Kempner..... 1

5TH AV, s w corner of 10th St, 92.8x126; Amos F. Eno to Amos F. Eno and others, executors..... 1

7TH ST, n s of Avenue B, 20x 80.8x21.5x86.11; 7th St, n s, 278 ft e of Avenue B, 20x96.6x21.5x88.8, interior lot, centre line, between 7th and 8th Sts, 242 ft e of Avenue B, runs e 46.4x 2.8x w 49.10x n 21.5 ft; 8th St, n s, 60 ft e of 1st Av, 27.6x112.10; Leopold Adler and wife to the State Bank..... 1

7TH ST, 199, n s, 253 ft e of Avenue B; 7th St, n s, 278 ft e of Avenue B, 20x96.6x21.8x88.8; interior lot, centre line of block between 7th and 8th Sts, and 242.2 ft e of Avenue B, runs e 46.4x32.8x w 49.10x n 21.8 ft; Belle Bloch to Leopold Adler..... 1

8TH AV, s w corner of 159th St, 50x 100; Dimock & Pinck Trustees against Robert Pickens, owner; Philip H. Becker, contractor..... 185

WEST END AV, s w corner of 107th St, 50x100; Antonio G. Pucci against Frederick Klingman, owner and contractor. 800

9TH ST, 54 to 58 East; the Willson & Adams Company against Louis Korn, owner; Frederick Klingman, contractor. 325

127TH ST, 122 and 124 East; Frederick C. Kloes against George Jenkins, owner and contractor..... 117

84TH ST, s w corner of Park Av, 321.4x 102.2; H. B. Cohe Co. against the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, owner; Laurin F. Mulhern, contractor..... 385

BUILDING LOAN CONTRACT, CHAPTER 418, LAWS OF 1897.

Melrose Av, n w corner of 157th St, 101.9x 49; Enoch C. Bell, with Ellen J. Taylor, fifteen payments..... 24,000

Assignments of Mortgages.

ADLER, Simon, and another to Annie Samuelson..... $1,546

ARRAWSMITH, Susan, and others, executors, to Louis K. Gould, (two mortgages)..Nominal

CLARK, Louis, Jr., to Philip Weinberg..... 82,500

COOK, Josephine, to Julia A. Morris..... 2,500

EARLEY, Martin J., to Louis Jacobson... 1,000

EBERLY, James, to Isadore Lester..... 100

KNAUF, Charles, to Hudson P. Rose, (three assignments)..... Nom.

LOWENFELD, Pincus, and William Prager to Charles Lowenfeld..... 8,147

MARTIN, Clarence N., executor, to Bessie Meares, (two assignments)..... 17,000

MICHAEL, Lena, and another, executors, &c., to Mortimer K. Flagg..... Nom.

MUIR, James, executor, &c., to James Muir..... Nominal

MURRAY LAND AND IMPROVEMENT Company to William Larder..... Nom.

OELSNER, Rudolph, to Ida M. Turner..... 524

RANSOM, Rastus S., to Simon Arendt and others, executors, &c., (two mortgages)..... 6,000

STIEFEL, Isaac, to Sara Rothgiesser..... 5,068

THE SOCIETY OF THE LYING-IN HOSPITAL of the City of New York to Title Guarantee and Trust Company..... 10,000

TITLE GUARANTEE AND TRUST COMPANY to Gilbert M. Furman..... 50,000

TITLE GUARANTEE AND TRUST COMPANY to The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York..... 185,000

TITLE GUARANTEE AND TRUST COMPANY to the Atlantic Trust Company, as trustee, &c..... 18,000

TODD, Judson S., to Rosetta S. Ford....Nominal

WAGNER, Peter, to Alwin Eisert..... Nom.

WERNER, Louis P. and Laura, to Mathias Goeren and another..... Nom.

Mechanics' Liens.

KELLY ST, w s, 165 ft s of 165th St, 100.8x100; William T. Hookey against Annie Bents, owner and contractor..... $242

NORTHERN AV, 149 to 155; the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company against Louis Lese, owner; John Kehoe, owner and contractor..... 296

WEBSTER AV, s e corner of 183d St, 50x 100; Dimock & Pinck Trustees against Robert Pickens, owner; Philip H. Becker, contractor..... 185

WEST END AV, s w corner of 107th St, 50x100; Antonio G. Pucci against Frederick Klingman, owner and contractor. 800

9TH ST, 54 to 58 East; the Willson & Adams Company against Louis Korn, owner; Frederick Klingman, contractor. 325

127TH ST, 122 and 124 East; Frederick C. Kloes against George Jenkins, owner and contractor..... 117

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Lis Pendens.

FLETCHER, (or 183D) ST, n s, 100 ft e of Washington Av; 101x183x100.6x148; William Coogan against Henry B. Heylman and another, (foreclosure of lien;) attorney, J. I. Berry.

FRANKLIN AV, s e corner of Woodruff Av, 100x150; Andrew J. Wightman against Robert Forrest and others, (foreclosure of lien;) attorney, A. G. Vanderpoel.

GRAND ST, 484; Richard J. Herbert and others against Thomas H. Herbert and others, (partition;) attorney, H. M. T. Beekman.

15TH ST, n s, 150 ft e of Union Square, 50x108.8; New York Life Insurance Company against Jennie N. Zucker and others, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, E. E. McCall.

22D ST, n s, 247.6 ft e of Av, 18.9x75; Sarah C. Kennagh against Cecily Collins, (dower;) attorney, E. W. Bremer.

71ST ST, n s, 190 ft e of West End Av, 17x92.2; The Corporation of the Brick Presbyterian Church in the City of New York against Ellis Mills and another, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, E. Smith.

123D ST, s s, 128.1 ft w of 3d Av, 16.6x101; Virginia L. Dunham against Pauline Ginsburg and others, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, L. Skidmore.

164TH ST, n s, 175 ft e of Amsterdam Av, 25x105.10; John J. Farrell, as receiver, &c., against Richard J. Cullen, (amended foreclosure of mortgage,) attorney, J. H. Hull.

172D ST, s w corner of Bathgate Av, 50x110; Felix Krupp against Maggie A. Osborne, or Deed, (action to recover a judgment;) attorney, W. H. Stockwell.

FEDERAL COURTS.

Calendars for Thursday, April 7.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—Wallace, Lacombe, and Shipman, JJ.—Calendar called by Lacombe, J., Room 124 Post Office Building, at 11 A. M. Civil causes.

Jury.

38—Nelson vs. 3d Av. R. R.
47—Stillwell vs. Flint.
49—Britner vs. Lehigh & H. R. R.
51—Yawtok vs. Block.
52—McLaughlin vs. 42d St. Ry.
56—Green vs. Manhattan Ry.
60—J. E. Mohiman Co. vs. Firemen's Ins. Co.
80—Coe Brass Mfg. Co. vs. Cooper.
109—Ferguson vs. Tate.
110—Nicholaus vs. Detwiller & Street Mfg. Co.
111—Schnitz vs. same.
112—Hauspitner vs. same.
121—Florida C. & P. R. R. Co vs. Am. Surety Co.
124—Int. Trust Co. vs. Town of Greenburgh.
125—Ivers & Pond Pfd. & Pub. Assn.
126—Reed vs. Campbell.
128—Johnson vs. Wood.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—Brown, J.—Opens in Room 66 Post Office Building at 11 A. M.

107—Taylor vs. Bark Agate.
111—Sampson vs. S. S. Niagara.
92—Raymond Dredging Co. vs. S. S. Kaiser Wilhelm.
83—U. S. vs. derrick Monarch.
85—U. S. vs. derrick Will.
71—Shorab vs. steamboat McDonald.
80—Bartram vs. bark Wherwh.
84—Morris & Co. Dredging Co. vs. tug Transfer No. 5.
19—McBride vs. Allen.
117—Thompson vs. tug Eddie H. Garrison.
116—Mattson vs. bark Pactolus.
119—Dailey vs. Mayor, &c.
121—Luckenbach Wrecking Co. vs. barge City of Montreal.
122—Bleecker vs. S. S. Kensington.
126—Kipp vs. S. S. Allegheny.
124—Wohlke vs. S. S. New York.
125—Junkle vs. S. S. Seguranca.
126—Brooklyn & N. Y. Ferry Co. vs. tug R. P. Neer.
127—Macy vs. Perry.
128—N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. vs. Penn. Ry.
129—Clays vs. Flint.
130—Dawson vs. City of New York.

STATE COURTS.

New York Calendars—This Day.

SUPREME COURT—Appellate Division—Recess. P. J. Parker, Barrett, Patterson, and O'Brien, JJ.—Opens at 1 P. M. Motions.

86—Columbia Bank vs. Chamberlain.
88—Chamberlain vs. Landon & Granger Brewing Co.
94—Levy vs. Harris.
95—Caponigri vs. Altieri.
96—Kopp 4th & Co. vs. Kim Burkey Co.
98—Ransom vs. Walt.
100—Arnot vs. Birch.

SUPREME COURT—Appellate Term—Adjourned for the term.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part I.—Bischoff, Jr., J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Litigated motions.

1—Maertin vs. Hoff.
2—Smith vs. Campion.
3—Smith vs. Decker.
4—Bardon vs. Cohn.
5—Empire Dairy Feed Co. vs. Chatham Nat. Bank.
10—Wright vs. Burstem.
11—Steinhardt vs. Baker.
12—In re Hall.
13—Brown vs. Morrison.
14—Daly vs. Williams.
15—Washburn vs. Adams
16—Anderson vs. Herrmann.
17—T. Ehner Co. vs. O'Connor.
18—Bernstein vs. Bernstein.
19—In re Martin.
20—Moore vs. Mouat.
21—In re 54 and 56 West 3d St.
22—Caldwell vs. Gorman
23—Vaughan vs. Haviland.
24—Anderson vs. R. de Brakeleer & Co.
25—Mechanics' Nat. Bk. vs. same.
26—Mulberry vs. Lippman.
27—Lippman vs. Levison.
28—Hertzfeld vs. Reinhardt.
29—Mutual Life Ins. Co. vs. Bailey.
30—McGinty vs. Throp.
31—Bischoff Print'g Pr. Co. vs. Greenbaum.
32—Hahn vs. Police Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part II.—Freedman, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Ex parte business.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part III.—Lloyd Smith, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Calendar clear. Motions.

1—In re Marion Avenue.
2—In re Andrews.
3—In re Grand Boulevard and Concourse.
4—Kennedy vs. Heasmann.
5—Hoffman vs. Spratt.
6—Joseph vs. Joseph. Demurrers.
7—Trust vs. Sun Printing & Pub. Co.
720—Sparkman vs. Atlantic Construc. Co.
726—Olin vs. Arendt.
729—Same vs. same.
730—Same vs. same.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Day calendar to be called in Part IV. room at 10:30 A. M. Cases will be assigned to the several parts of Special Term for trial.

6057—Levy vs. Passavant.
5405—Morean vs. Rosenstein.
5241—Faust vs. Ernst.
5097—Hayden vs. Simons.
5022—Lippitt vs. Gilmartin.
5434—Manahan vs. Manahan.
6600—Beecroft vs. Beecroft.
6671—Occidental Oil Co. vs. Union Oil Co.
5819—Cumings vs. Tamsen.
6023—Scharmon vs. Foley.
6531—Schaman vs. Schoell.

Highest number reached in regular call, 6608.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part IV.—Cohen, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part V.—Fitzgerald, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part VI.—Stover, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Litigated motions to be sent from Special Term, Part I. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part VII.—Scott, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Elevated railroad cases. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part VIII.—Adjourned for the term.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part I.—Criminal Term. Adjourned to Monday April 11.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part II.—Truax, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Case on. Cases will be sent from this calendar to Part XII. for trial.

9067—Wannemaker vs. Nalle.
12799—Oerstfeld vs. Straus.
14260—Sigel vs. Mayor, &c.
15096—De Jora vs. Met. R. R.
15630—Fuller vs. Edson.
15696—Katz vs. Kreiter.
15697—Low Chow vs. Hip Kong.
15722—Fuller vs. Allonay.
15664—Bettenhasser vs. Trustees of Liberty.
15698—Hand vs. Sea Engine & Power Co.
15777—August vs. O'Brien.
15566—Kiernan vs. Hyde
15595—Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co. vs. McKane.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Day calendar to be called in Part III. room at 10:15 A. M. Cases will be sent from this calendar to Parts III., IV., V., and VI. for trial.

8467—Dickinson vs. N.Y. Journal Assn.
8468—Same vs. Morning Journal Assn.
5157—Anderson vs. R. Mitchell Furniture Co.
8962—Sullivan vs. Met. St. Ry. Co.
7500—Western Nat. Bk. vs. Fisher.
10488—Quinlan vs. Skelly.
9709—Demarest vs. Oliver.
9130—Johnson vs. B'way & 7th Av. R. R. Co.
9700—Pryor vs. Storke.
10984—Mirick vs. Hemle.
9335—Colton vs. Wallach.
9994—Murphy vs. Dow.

Highest number reached in regular call, 11650.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part III.—Williams, J.—Opens at 10:15 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part IV.—Bookstaver, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part V.—Dugro, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part VI.—Giegerich, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Day calendar to be sent from Part VII. room at 10:30 A. M. Cases will be sent from this calendar to Parts VII. VIII., IX., X., and XI. for trial.

9678—Same vs. Schloss.
9674—Same vs. Zeller.
9676—Same vs. Emmons.
9676—Same vs. Hendrig.
9677—Same vs. Diesel-koen.
9691—Same vs. Finley.
4419—Thompson vs. Proctor.
9145—Cahill vs. Cunningham.
9148—Tribune Asso. vs. Mayor, &c.
9154—East River Gas Co. vs. Lissburger.
9163—Camings vs. Sheridan & Shea Co.
9167—Am. Surety Co. vs. Thomas.
9169—Abrashkin vs. Berger.
9695—Muller vs. 3d Av. R. R. Co.
9694—Shine vs. same.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part VIII.—Beekman, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part IX.—Laughlin, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part X.—MacLean, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part XI.—McAdam, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part XII.—Chester, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from preferred calendar for trial. Case on.

SURROGATE'S COURT—Chambers—Arnold, S.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Contested wills.

1243—Richard McGill. (No. 1.)
1239—Same. (No. 2.)

Anne Walsh. At 11 A. M. Charles H. Byrne. Margaret J. Hooper. At 2 P. M. Charles F. Winthrop, George Doyle, Sarah Van Keuren.

Will of Mary Treasy. William Schreck. Jesse Seligman. Hugo de Barra de Finlay.

SURROGATE'S COURT—Trial Term—Fitzgerald, S.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Held in Surrogate's Court Trial Term, ground floor, in County Court House. Case on.

1249—Chatterton will of Henry A. Hurlbut.

CITY COURT—General Term—Adjourned sine die.

CITY COURT—Special Term—O'Dwyer, J.—Opens at 10 A. M. Held in Part four of Supreme Court Trial Term, Part I. Motions will be heard and disposed of at this term.

CITY COURT—Trial Term—Part I.—Giegerich, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Assumpsit cases will be taken at 11 A. M.

818—Quinn vs. Hawley.
1—Hayes vs. New Brunswick, &c., Co.
2—Hayes vs. Ellis.
120—Pattison, ex, &c., vs. Stix.
211—Barnes vs. Mauppas.
213—Wilson vs. Ingils.
216—Hicks vs. Abbey.
217—Pope vs. same.
225—Whitman vs. Worth.
230—Tannenbois vs. Rothenberg.
305—Marion Light Co. vs. Lyons.
314—First Nat. Bank vs. Gilmer.
497—Sykes vs. Ullman.
498—Berger vs. Rees.
515—Brown vs. Simon.
524—Hines vs. Schroeder.

CITY COURT—Trial Term—Part II.—Adjourned for the term.

CITY COURT—Trial Term—Part III.—Schuchman, J.—Held in Brownstone Building (Chambers Street.) Opens at 10 A. M. All cases must be tried when reached. Calendar clear. Short causes.

760—Tober vs. Steinard.
981—Rieger vs. Lyons.
1066—Geary vs. Senior.
105—Trenkman vs. Schneider.
441—William McShane Mfg. Co. vs. Hafner.
594—Spaulding vs. Reinecke.
452—Corrigan vs. Schall.
753—Rundel vs. Met. St. Ry. Co.
4046—Vanoza vs. Standard Oil Co.
249—Goddard vs. Schmoltz.
168—Dolan vs. Reilly.
825—Galveston Cotton Mills vs. Walter.
826—Case vs. Leavitt.
535—La Blanc vs. Jordan.

CITY COURT—Trial Term—Part IV.—Fitzsimmons, C. J.—Held in Brownstone Building (Chambers Street.) Opens at 10 A. M. All cases must be tried when reached. Calendar clear. Short causes.

4859—Press Pub. Co. vs. Schatz.
4594—Zoccolo vs. Bailey.
4595—Russel vs. Seger.
4815—Crokett vs. Dempsey.
4383—Weller vs. Stafford.
4740—Wanamaker vs. Eng.
2908—Kregel vs. Kregel.
2896—Hutchinson vs. Hoyt.
4764—Sullivan vs. Cava.
4552—Parsons vs. Chesshire Lime Co.

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COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—Part I.—McMahon, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Assistant District Attorneys Townsend, Le Barbier, and Herman for the People.

1—Charles Schlegel.
2—Joseph Byrnes.
3—Jacob Spindler.
John Singer.
4—Maurice Beck.
5—Joseph G. Ames.
6—Sophia C. Smith.
7—Albert Sommer.
8—William Barden, James Carnahan, John J. Cunningham.
9—Joseph Borgenricht.
10—Aaron Kohn.
11—Edward Regan.
12—Luke Butler.
13—Joseph Ayoob.
14—Lawrence Barry.
15—Patrick Morris.
16—Adam Fischer.
17—Thomas Byrnes.
18—John Griffin.
19—Frank Butler, Robert Gilman.
20—Jacob Rahm.
21—Juliette Laporta.
22—Annie Ullman.
23—William Schaaf.
24—Frank Murphy.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—Part II.—Cowing, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Assistant District Attorneys Waldo and Hennessy for the People.

1—Antonio Trotta, Pietro Altiere.
2—Frank Gamma.
3—Philip Kaplan.
4—Henry Baumgarten, James T. Shields.
5—Walter B. Harvey.
6—Edward Johnson.
7—Lena Jeffries.
8—John Corcoran, Frank Fox, Thomas Wheeler.
9—Emanuel Jackson.
10—Frank Davis.
11—Samuel Adrian.
12—Morris J. Forgotson.
13—Ignaz Neumayer.
14—Joseph Boulla.
15—Marx Bisenberg.
16—Young Bow.
17—Clara Apisdorf.
18—Joseph K. Buehner.
19—Rosina Cuti.
20—Patrick Hyland.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—Part III.—Fitzgerald, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Assistant District Attorneys McClelland and Gray for the People.

1—Louis Berman.
2—Richard Mallon.
3—Louis Marcushon.
4—Bell McCallum.
5—Thaddeus B. Ecker.
6—John Martin.
7—James Noonan.
8—Joseph Woodall.
9—Abraham Erenberg.
10—Adele Dubois.
11—Joseph Cohen.
12—May Lester.
13—Charles Krumm.
14—James Mackey, Roswell P. Puffer.
15—Hugo Brochhagen.
16—David Docherty.
17—Samuel Curley.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—Part IV.—Goff, R.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Assistant District Attorneys Blake and McCann for the People.

1—William F. Thompson.
2—Jeremiah J. McAuliffe.
3—Salvatore Santoro.
4—Martin Holmes.
5—Daniel Irving, Richard Harvey.
6—Peter Mullen, Michael Higgins.
7—Alexander Mercullano.
8—William Maehgan, Joseph Devine.
9—Elias Trad.
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17—Gustav Marsall.
18—Frederick R. Ernest.
19—Morris Cohen.
20—Ung Chuck, Ung Tom.
21—Morris Goldstein.
22—Joseph Goldberg.
23—Louis F. Martens.
24—Solomon Ritt.
25—David Brown.
26—Michael Larkin.
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REFEREES' NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—New York County.—JOSEPHINE H. HUBBARD, plaintiff, against MARY L. HOUSLEY et al., defendants.

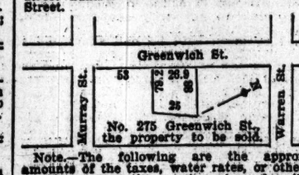
In pursuance of an interlocutory judgment of partition and sale bearing date the 24th day of February, 1898, and entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York on the 29th day of March, 1898, I, the undersigned, referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, on Thursday, the 28th day of April, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon on that day, by William M. Ryan, auctioneer, the premises described in said judgment as follows:

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land situate, lying, and being in the Third Ward of the City of New York, being part of the lands heretofore of the Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of the Trinity Church in the City of New York, distinguished on a map or chart of such part thereof as is commonly called the Church Farm by number four hundred and three (403) and bounded as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly side of Greenwich Street, distant fifty-three feet from the corner formed by its intersection with the northerly side of Murray Street, running thence eastwardly along a lot known on the said map by the number four hundred and four (404) seventy-nine feet and two inches to the easterly line of lot number four hundred and six, (406,) thence northwardly along the same twenty-five feet, thence westwardly along the southerly line of lot number four hundred and two (402) eighty-eight feet to Greenwich Street, and thence southwardly along Greenwich Street twenty-six feet and nine inches to the place of beginning. Being the same premises heretofore conveyed to James H. Noe by the said Rector, Church Wardens, etc., by deed dated April 21, 1856, and recorded May 5, 1856, in the Register's office of the City of New York, in Liber 718 of Conveyances, Page 17, upon which lands there is erected a four-story brick building. Together with all the estate, right, title, and interest of the parties to the suit therein, whether present or future, vested or contingent of dower, courtesy, or otherwise, and the rights to which any other person may hereafter become entitled in said premises.—Dated New York, March 31st, 1898. S. VILAS BECKWITH,

Referee.

HENRY SCHMITT, Attorney for Plaintiff, 140 Nassau St., New York City.

The following is a diagram of the property referred to in the foregoing notice of sale, and the street number of which is No. 275 Greenwich Street.



Note.—The following are the approximate amounts of the taxes, water rates, or other liens or charges upon the premises above described:

Taxes for 1897.....$399.00 and interest
Water rate, Aug. 8, 1896, to March 4, 1898.....60 cents
Dated New York, March 31st, 1898.
S. VILAS BECKWITH, Referee.

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REFEREES' NOTICES.

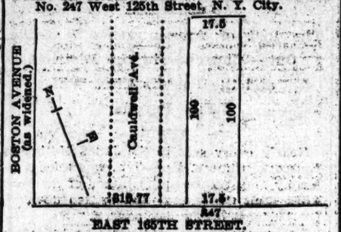
SUPREME COURT, NEW YORK COUNTY.—JOHN H. CROMWELL, Adelaide B. Cromwell, and Miriam H. Cromwell, as executors of the last will and testament of JOHN CROMWELL, deceased, plaintiffs, against WILLIAM H. VAN COTT, defendant.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly made and entered in the above-entitled action, bearing date the 21st day of March, 1898, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on Wednesday, the 20th day of April, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon on that day, by Thompson & Pryor, Auctioneers, the premises described in said judgment as follows:

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, lying, being and situate in the 23d Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point on the northerly side or line of East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street, distant three hundred and sixteen and seventy-seven-one hundredths feet easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of said northerly side or line of east One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street with the easterly side or line of Boston Avenue as widened, or three hundred and twenty-five feet from said corner before the widening of said Boston Avenue; thence running northerly and at right angles with said East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street, partly through a party wall, one hundred and fifty feet; thence easterly and parallel with said East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street, seventeen and five-tenths feet; thence southerly and at right angles with said East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street partly through a party wall, one hundred and fifty feet to said northerly side or line of East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street; and thence westerly, along said northerly side or line of East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street, seventeen and five-tenths feet, to the point or place of beginning. Being the westerly half of the premises conveyed to Maria L. Van Cott by James H. Moeran, referee, by deed, bearing date the 23d day of November, 1875, and recorded in the office of the Register of Westchester County, in Liber 860, Page 190.—Dated New York, March 24th, 1898.

RICHARD W. FREEDMAN, Referee.

JOHN H. CROMWELL, Attorney for Plaintiffs, No. 247 West 125th Street, N. Y. City.



EAST 165TH STREET.

The above premises will be sold subject to a prior mortgage to secure the sum of $8,861.25, with interest thereon from the 21st day of November, 1897, at the rate of five and one-half per cent. The approximate amount of the lien or charge to satisfy which the above-described property is to be sold is the sum of $1,067.11, with interest thereon from the 18th day of March, 1898, together with costs and allowances amounting to the sum of $117.47, with interest from the 21st day of March, 1898, together with the expenses of the sale.

The approximate amount of taxes, assessments, or other liens which are to be allowed to the purchaser out of the purchase money or paid by the referee, is the sum of $479.57, and interest.—Dated New York, March 24th, 1898.

RICHARD W. FREEDMAN, Referee.

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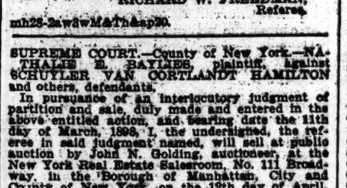
SUPREME COURT.—County of New York.—NATHALIE E. TAYLOR, plaintiff, against SCHUYLER VAN CORTLANDT HAMILTON and others, defendants.

In pursuance of an interlocutory judgment of partition and sale, duly made and entered in the above-entitled action, and bearing date the 11th day of March, 1898, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction by John N. Golding, auctioneer, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, City and County of New York, on the 12th day of April, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described as follows:

All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City, County, and State of New York, and which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the corner formed by the intersection of the westerly line of Broadway with the northerly line of Spring Street, and running thence westerly along the northerly line of Spring Street one hundred and twenty-five feet; thence northerly and parallel, or nearly so, with the westerly line of Broadway, seventy-five feet; thence easterly and parallel, or nearly so, with Spring Street twenty-five feet; thence southerly, parallel, or nearly so, with the westerly line of Broadway twenty-five feet; thence easterly parallel, or nearly so, with the northerly line of Spring Street one hundred feet to the westerly line of Broadway, and thence southerly along the same fifty feet to the point or place of beginning, and the appurtenances, to be the said dimensions or more or less, with the buildings thereon erected.—Dated New York, March 15, 1898.

HAMILTON ODELL, Referee.

CARTER & LEDYARD, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 54 Wall Street, New York City.



The premises are to be sold subject to the unexpired term of a lease for the term of 15 years and 7 months from October 1st, 1888.

There are two mortgages which are liens upon undivided interests in the above-described premises, and which are to be satisfied out of the proceeds of sale.

Upon one of these mortgages there is due the sum of ten thousand dollars and accrued interest from November 3d, 1897, at the rate of five per centum per annum.

Upon the other of these mortgages there is due the sum of fifty thousand dollars and accrued interest from November 1st, 1897, at the rate of five per centum per annum.

There are unpaid taxes on a portion of said property as follows: For the year 1896, $4,250, and for the year 1897, $4,410, with interest on each of said sums. The premises will be sold free from the lien of these taxes.

HAMILTON ODELL, Referee.

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The woodworker's life is hard at its best. Standing day after day alongside a workbench causes many of the delicate organs of digestion to get out of working order. Worry in the workshop six days in the week is very apt to carry over on Sunday also. Headache does not stop when the day's work is done, but spoils the pleasure of the leisure hours as well. A workman in the Burlington Venetian Blind Co.'s employ says: "Ripans Tabules first came to my notice when the engineer sent for me one day and asked me if I had ever used them. He recommended them so highly because they had cured him of dyspepsia and other troubles, that I began to use the Tabules. I found them so good that I recommended them to others. I have had headache but once since I began to take them. Every thing I eat acts well now and even a crust of bread tastes good."

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SURROGATE NOTICES.

CROW, MARGARET.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against MARGARET CROW, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, No. 150 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, on or before the 23d day of September next.—Dated New York, the 16th day of March, 1898. JAMES CROW, Administrator. BRADY, BALDWIN & STOFFESBURY, Attorneys for Administrator, 150 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City. mh17-law6wTh

FORTWENGLER, ADELE.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against ADELE FORTWENGLER, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, No. 3 William Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 20th day of May next.—Dated New York, the 3d day of November, 1897. ACHILLE FORTWENGLER, Administrator. COUDERT BROTHERS, Attorneys for Administrator, 100 Broadway, New York. n4-law6mTh

FRANKE, EDWARD.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against EDWARD FRANKE, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, No. 20 West 114th Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 12th day of September, 1898. Next.—Dated New York, the 9th day of March, 1898. ALBERT FRANKE, Executor. JOSEPHINE FRANKE, Executrix. SIMON SULTAN, Att'y for Executors, 27 Nassau Street, N. Y. City. mh10-law6mTh

HELLER, WILLIAM S.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against WILLIAM S. HELLER, late of the City of New York, in the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of Evarts & Moffat, No. 39 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the twentieth day of September next.—Dated New York, the 17th day of March, 1898. ALICE M. HELLER, Administratrix. EVARTS & MOFFAT, Attorneys for Administratrix, 39 Wall St., New York City. mh17-law6mTh

HOTOP, FRANZ JOSEPH.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Franz Joseph Hotop, late of the City of Dresden, Empire of Germany, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business at the office of Duer, Strong & Jarvis, No. 50 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of August next.—Dated New York, the 25th day of January, 1898. EDMUND FAVERTEAU, Executor. DUER, STRONG & JARVIS, Attys. for Ancillary Executor, 50 Wall St., N. Y. City. ja27-law6mTh

LIPMAN, JULIUS.—The People of the State of New York, by the grace of God free and independent, to Ethel Lipman, individually and as executrix of Julius Lipman, deceased, and as general guardian of Ethel and Ilma Lipman; Lily Lipman, Ethel Lipman, Ilma Lipman, managers of the Sinai Hospital of the City of New York, managers of the Montefiore Home for Chronic Invalids of the City of New York, managers of the United Hebrew Charities, New York City; Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, M. A. Jacob, Isaac Marx, Nora Nagowitz, Standard Gas Light Co., Henry Steinbach, John A. Jones, Samuel Johnson, Dr. A. Jacobi, Mary Malmsel, Rosendale & Hessberg, Bowery Bank of New York, Thos. L. Hamilton & Sons, William Cohen, Mitchell Vance Company, Dr. Edward L. Morrill, J. Jungman, Asbury Park Harness Co., Lawyers' Title Insurance Co., Consolidated Gas Co., Park & Tilford, Dr. E. Strauss, J. M. Thorburn, Andrew Taylor, Charles Gouldy, Berrian & Zacharias, H. Paul, B. Schleuber, D. & E. Dunham, Dr. Francis Delafield, Consolidated Gas Co., J. L. Mott Iron Works, Henry Pitfenger, A. S. D. Leigh, F. B. Bradley & Co., Consolidated Stock and Petroleum Exchange, Edwards & Company, Hotel Balmoral, James Cheever estate, Frank A. Sodeld, L. Hart Typewriter Inspection Co., W. and J. Sloane, and to all persons interested in the estate of JULIUS LIPMAN, late of the City of New York, deceased, as creditors, legatees, next of kin or otherwise, send greeting:

You and each of you are hereby cited and required personally to be and appear before our Surrogate of the City and County of New York, at the Surrogate's Court of said city and county, held at the County Court House, in the City of New York, on the twenty-sixth day of April, 1898, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, then and there to attend a judicial settlement of the account of proceedings of Frances G. Pardee and George M. S. Horton, as executors of the last will and testament of said deceased, and such of you as are hereby cited as are under the age of twenty-one years are required to appear by your guardian, if you have one, or if you have none, to appear and apply for one to be appointed, or in the event of your neglect or failure to do so, a guardian will be appointed by the Surrogate to represent and act for you in the proceeding.

In testimony whereof we have caused the seal of the Surrogate's Court of the said City and County of New York to be hereunto affixed. Witness, Hon. John P. Cowenhoven, Surrogate of our said city and county, at the City of New York, the seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

[L. S.] FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, Clerk of the Surrogate's Court.

WINTHROP PARKER, Attorney for Executors, 121 Broadway, E. D., New York. fe26-law6wTh

POPE, JENNIE BROOKFIELD.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JENNIE BROOKFIELD POPE, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of William Henry Haldane, No. 66 William Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 18th day of July next.—Dated New York, the 5th day of January, 1898. CHARLES F. POPE, Administrator. WILLIAM HENRY HALDANE, Attorney for Administrator, 66 William Street, New York City. ja6-law6mTh

SNOW, JULIET S.—The People of the State of New York, by the grace of God free and independent, to Florence W. Gouraud, Frances G. Pardee, Jackson Gouraud, Miss M. B. Horton, Mrs. Amos Tenney, Sophie J. Briggs, Caroline De Motte Briggs, Winthrop Parker, Tribune Association, George Fauvel Gouraud, Bayard Gouraud, Powers Gouraud, Florence Theodora Gouraud, Mary King, New York Post-Graduate Medical School and Hospital, Mamie Horton, Florence Horton, T. S. Hall, Sanborn G. Tenney, Dr. Charles I. Pardee, Col. George E. Gouraud, William A. Tenney, George M. S. Horton, Mrs. George M. S. Horton, Mrs. Clarence L. Collins, Miss Agnes D. Abbatt, Miss Harriette Cady, Mrs. Caroline G. Parkee, Bird S. Coler, Comptroller of the City of New York, and to all persons interested in the estate of JULIET S. SNOW, late of the City of New York, deceased, as creditors, legatees, next of kin, or otherwise, send greeting:

You and each of you are hereby cited and required personally to be and appear before our Surrogate of the City and County of New York, at the Surrogate's Court of said city and county, held at the County Court House, in the City of New York, on the twenty-sixth day of April, 1898, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, then and there to attend a judicial settlement of the account of proceedings of Florence W. Gouraud, Frances G. Pardee, Jackson Gouraud, and such of you as are hereby cited as are under the age of twenty-one years are required to appear by your guardian, if you have one, or if you have none, to appear and apply for one to be appointed, or in the event of your neglect or failure to do so, a guardian will be appointed by the Surrogate to represent and act for you in the proceeding.

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[L. S.] FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, Clerk of the Surrogate's Court.

RANSOM & RANSOM, Attys. for Executors, 100 Broadway, N. Y. City. mh31-law6wTh

MAGRATH, PATRICK J.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John H. V. Arnold, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims or demands against the estate of PATRICK J. MAGRATH, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, administrators of the personal estate of said deceased, at the law office of James Conkling, Main Street, in the village of Ilion, Herkimer County, New York, on or before the 15th day of September next.—Dated Ilion, N. Y., March 15th, 1898. JAMES CONKLING, JOHN H. CLINTON, Administrators. m17-law6mTh

NICHOLSON, ROBERT.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against ROBERT NICHOLSON, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, No. 743 East 167th Street, in the City of New York, Borough of the Bronx, on or before the 15th day of September next.—Dated New York the 8th day of March, 1898. MARY ELIZA DURRELL, Executrix. W. STEBBINS SMITH, Attorney for Executrix, 743 East 167th Street, Borough of the Bronx, New York City. mh10-law6mTh

PARKER, ANNA B.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John H. V. Arnold, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against ANNA B. PARKER, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, No. 83 Grand Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 25th day of May next.—Dated New York, the 25th day of November, 1897. JEREMIAH RICHARDS, Administrator of the estate of Anna B. Parker, dec'd. HENRY C. WHITE, Attorney for Administrator, 31 Nassau St., New York City. n25-law6mTh

PATTERSON, JAMES.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JAMES PATTERSON, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, Room 401, No. 97 Cedar Street, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of September next.—Dated New York, the first day of February, 1898. ADOLPHUS D. PAPE, Executor. ALVIN SUMMERS, Attorney for Executor, 97 Cedar Street, N. Y. fe-law6mTh

SURROGATE NOTICES.

BULGARON, FRANCISCO VALDES.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Arnold, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against FRANCISCO VALDES BULGARON, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, No. 276 Madison Av., in the City of New York, on or before the seventh day of October next.—Dated New York, the 6th day of April, 1898. ELENA FITZGERALD DE BULGARON, Administratrix with the will annexed. HORACIO G. RUBENS, Atty. for Administratrix, 56 New Street, New York City. apr7-law6mTh

SCHMITT, HENRY.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against HENRY SCHMITT, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business at the office of Simpson & Wesner, No. 15 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 23d day of April next.—Dated New York, the 18th day of October, 1897. JOHN KIBBER, JACOB B. McMICHAEL, Executors. SIMPSON & WESNER, Attorneys for Executors, 15 Wall Street, N. Y. n21-law6mTh

THOMPSON, MARY J.—The People of the State of New York, by the grace of God free and independent, to John Thompson, Ella T. Teasie, J. Frank Thompson, Margaret Smiley, Ellen Willard, John Marshall, William Marshall, James Marshall, Catherine Hayes, Emma Beasley, J. Lisalie Thompson, George W. Thompson, Matilda Donohue, Anna Graham, and William M. Hoes, Public Administrator in the City of New York, send greeting:

You and each of you are hereby cited and required personally to be and appear before our Surrogate of the County of New York, at the Surrogate's Court of said county, held at the County Court House, in the City of New York, on the 20th day of May, 1898, at half past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, then and there to show cause why a decree should not be made awarding letters of administration on the estate of MARY J. THOMPSON deceased, to the Public Administrator in the City of New York, or to some other competent person, and such of you as are hereby cited as are under the age of twenty-one years are required to appear by your guardian, if you have one, or, if you have none, to appear and apply for one to be appointed, or in the event of your neglect or failure to do so, a guardian will be appointed by the Surrogate to represent and act for you in the proceeding.

In testimony whereof we have caused the seal of the Surrogate's Court of the said City and County of New York to be hereunto affixed. Witness, Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of our said city and county, at the City of New York, the 26th day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

[L. S.] J. FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, Clerk of the Surrogate's Court.

TALLMAN, DANIEL S.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John H. V. Arnold, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against DANIEL S. TALLMAN, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, the office of Hamlin & Foote, No. 18 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of November next.—Dated New York, the 11th day of November, 1897. CHARLES H. TALLMAN, EDWIN S. NEWTON, Executors. WILLIAM D. GREEN, Attorney for Executors, 375 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. n11-law6mTh

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OCEAN CARRIER PIGEONS

Capt. Raynaud of the French Army Will Try to Make Them Available for Postal Service.

HIS PLANNED EXPERIMENTS

The Birds, He Believes, Will Be of Incalculable Benefit to Vessels in Case of Disaster—Method of Training Suggested.

When the French liner La Bretagne leaves her pier next Saturday for Havre she will have on board fifteen of the sturdiest, best-trained carrier pigeons obtainable in this country, to be used in an experiment, which, if successful, it is believed, will be of incalculable value to steamers crossing the ocean, their owners, and the public in general. The idea is to make possible communication between a vessel on the high seas and the shore by means of birds trained for the purpose, and which could carry intelligence of an accident or disaster in much less time than it would take a boat to bring the news.

The originator of this new plan is Capt. Gabriel Raynaud of the French Cavalry and Adjutant of the Tenth Army Corps. He arrived in this country last Sunday, and went immediately to Washington, returning to this city yesterday. In an interview on the subject of his experiments he said:

"For a long time I have been interested in the matter of making use of carrier pigeons and the methods of their training, but it was about four years ago that I took an active part in the experiments carried on in French army manoeuvres. I satisfied myself that pigeons could, with proper training, fly much greater distances than is popularly believed to be possible for them to do. To my personal knowledge a pigeon has covered a distance of 1,000 kilometers without any apparent signs of distress, and hence I believe that this distance can be vastly increased.

In Case of Disaster.

"Working on these lines I finally conceived the idea that it would be of great advantage to ocean-going vessels to take with them carrier pigeons, which, in the event of a serious accident or impending disaster, could be released and sent with a dispatch to their home station, or failing in that, they would certainly reach some spot on shore where further communication could be made with the interested parties. I succeeded in enlisting the interest of the French Transatlantic Company in my scheme, and eventually obtained leave of absence from the Minister of War for the purpose of conducting a series of experiments and establishing connections with leading carrier-pigeon societies of the seaboard States in America.

"On March 26 I sailed from Havre, carrying with me seventy pigeons, carefully selected, and known to connoisseurs as the 'homing Antwerp' variety. They had been trained for three months near the mouth of the Seine, in three separate lots. It was my intention to release several about 100 miles away from Havre, and to send more at a distance of 400 miles apart until all, with the exception of a dozen or so to be kept in case of an emergency, had been dispatched. I am still in ignorance of the success of the first lots I sent off, but the Bothnia accident that was first reported through a dispatch carried by one of my carriers proves that the experiment was by no means a failure.

"When about 4,000 kilometers out from Havre I released a pigeon, just to see where it would land or what would become of it, and imagine my surprise when I learned on arriving in New York, two days later, that it had been picked up in Connecticut. Of course, it was hardly reasonable to expect that the bird would return to Havre, but even if it did take an erroneous course, it struck land, and to all practical purposes that is sufficient.

Passengers Might Use Them.

"But it is not alone for cases of accident that the carrier pigeons might be employed. A regular miniature postal service might be established. Passengers who are some several hundred miles from shore and would like to communicate with relatives or friends would, I believe, gladly take advantage of the system, even if they had to pay considerably more than letter rates.

"Now, as for my plans. I intend placing myself in direct communication with pigeon raisers throughout the entire Atlantic Coast of the United States. To them I shall explain my method of raising and training pigeons, which has, by the way, been adopted by the French Government, and make it not only a matter of interest but of decided profit if they will produce the right kind of birds for the service. I shall simply rent the pigeons from them, agreeing to pay them $30 for each pigeon that returns with a dispatch, but making no allowance for such as are lost. The pigeons for which the fee is paid will not pass out of the possession of their original owners, and if they are used again, as they no doubt will be, and are again successful, they will be a source of considerable income to their owners. This method, in my opinion, will also stimulate the desire to rear only pigeons of the very best stock.

American Pigeons Bolder.

"How do the French and American pigeons compare? Well, I should say that there is not much difference as far as I can see, except that the American pigeons seem to be bolder and more eager to fly than the French. Their qualities will, however, be best tested by experiment, which I intend to make on the next voyage of La Bretagne which sails Saturday. I have obtained from a dealer and bird fancier in this city fifteen fine specimens of the carrier pigeon, and shall have them released as follows: Five on the morning following the date of the departure, five on Monday morning, the last five on Tuesday morning. Each bird will, of course, carry a message, and we shall then be able to see how many survive the trip.

"By way of further stimulating the efforts of pigeon raisers the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique will offer money prizes of considerable value to the societies raising the best and speediest birds, judged by the time in which they traverse a certain distance.

"In rearing and training pigeons," Capt. Raynaud said, in closing, "it is of the utmost importance that the special routes and purposes should be kept constantly in view. It is an error to suppose that a carrier pigeon will under any circumstances return to its cote. The birds should at first be taken short stretches from their original stations and released, and later on further away, until they are habituated to certain established routes, which they will then invariably follow with the utmost precision."

The Captain will return to this country again next November to watch the results of his efforts, and if the success of his undertaking is secured he will try to introduce the carrier-pigeon system on other transatlantic lines.

NICHOLS ADMITS THEFT.

He Is Held Here to Await Extradition Papers from Chicago.

Herbert J. Nichols was arraigned before Magistrate Olmsted in the Centre Street Police Court yesterday on a charge of embezzling $150,000 from Henry W. King & Co., while manager of that firm's store in Chicago. Through an error it was stated yesterday morning in the account of his arrest that he had been employed by Browning, King & Co.

Nichols admitted in court that he had taken the money, and said he had lost it in speculating on the Chicago Board of Trade. The Magistrate held him for thirty days pending extradition papers from Chicago.

Nichols is a well-dressed man about fifty years old, with gray hair and Van Dyke beard. In Chicago he was a member of several clubs, and kept a string of horses. Two years ago he disappeared, and a short time later his thefts came to light. He went to Cuba, Jamaica, and several countries in South America.

A few months ago he returned to this country, and last week the head of the firm of H. W. King & Co. learned that he was in this city.

LEGAL NOTES.

NO RECOVERY FOR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES IN ACTION ON CONTRACT.—Justice McAdam, in Supreme Court, Trial Term, yesterday, dismissed the complaint in the suit of Look against Rudd, in which the plaintiff charged that the defendant, a wholesale dealer in milk, sold him for use in his business a quantity of milk, on the agreement that it should be pure and wholesome. Mr. Look alleged that, relying upon this agreement, he sold milk which he received from defendant to customers from day to day. On the 22d of August, 1896, a Milk Inspector tested milk received from Rudd on that day, and some days afterward Look was arrested for selling adulterated milk, and was convicted and fined $100. The publication of his arrest and conviction, he asserted, injured his business. "This is not a case," Justice McAdam said, "where a vendee is seeking to obtain the difference between the market value and the agreed price of the thing sold, nor is there any allegation that the vendee had paid the agreed price, so as to make such difference recoverable. The action is to recover for a remote consequence of the sale—injury to the vendee's business caused by his arrest and conviction—not within the presumed contemplation of the parties. In order to recover consequential damages of this character, the action should have been brought ex delicto, and the scienter should have been charged, so as to make it one for deceit. It was not so brought, but on the theory of contract."

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RIGHT TO ASSIGNMENT OF MORTGAGE ON FORECLOSURE.—Philip H. Hover began an action in this city against his mother, Martha Hover, and others, for the foreclosure of a mortgage made by Henry Otten to the Germania Life Insurance Company, and assigned to the plaintiff. Otten died, leaving the defendant, Martha Hover, and Louise M. Bogert, (now deceased,) his children, in whom the title to the mortgaged premises was vested when Louise M. Bogert died. By her will, probated in New Jersey, she appointed Daniel G. Bogert and another her executors and trustees, and directed them to hold her real estate in trust and apply the rents and income to the use of D. G. Bogert, during his life, and upon his death to sell the real estate and divide the proceeds among certain persons named. When this action was begun, Mrs. Bogert's executors tendered the plaintiff the principal and interest of the mortgage and demanded an assignment to them, which was refused. The Court of Appeals has now affirmed an order of the First Appellate Division, which affirmed the order below, denying a motion to compel such assignment. The decision is made upon the opinion of Justice O'Brien below, in which it was held that, where one of two tenants in common of property has procured a mortgage thereon, to be placed in the hands of a friend, who has commenced a foreclosure, the other tenant in common is not entitled to demand an assignment of the mortgage on tendering the amount due, with a view to securing a sale of the property at a private instead of at a judicial sale, the former being deemed by him to be a more advantageous way of disposing of the property. This was held to be especially the case where the common ancestor of such tenants in common directed his executors to sell the real estate and to divide the proceeds between such tenants in common, and both of the executors had died without executing the power of sale.

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BASIS OF ASSESSMENT OF VALUABLE BUILDING.—Daniel W. Powers, in proceedings instituted by him under the tax law of 1896 against Edward A. Kalbfleisch and others, Assessors, secured the reduction of the assessment upon his valuable ten-story building in Rochester known as "Powers's Block," from $1,000,000 to $825,000. The judgment has been unanimously affirmed by the Fourth Appellate Division, in an opinion by Justice Adams. The court held that in assessing for the purposes of taxation such a building, which could not be said to have a market value, because there was no other property like it in the city, and consequently no similar property had ever been put upon the market, the statutory rule that Assessors should estimate and assess all property "at its full and true value," as they would appraise the same in payment of a just debt, due from a solvent debtor, could best be observed by a determination based upon the two elements of the earning capacity of the building as an investment and the probable and natural cost of reproducing it. The court held that where an assessment, when subjected to these tests, showed that the average annual net income derived from the building would represent a profit of a little over 2½ per cent. of its assessed valuation, and that no allowance had been made for the present reduction in the cost of building materials, which upon the estimate of the architect and builders of the company, would render its reproduction possible at about one half of its original cost, the decision of a referee reducing the assessment was proper.

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FRAUD IN SALE OF CORPORATE BONDS.—Ida A. Currier, in her suit brought in the Supreme Court, in this city, several years ago, against Henry W. Poor and others, alleged that she was induced by fraudulent representations on the part of the defendant to purchase five $1,000 bonds of the Knickerbocker Brewing Company, and sought to recover the money. Her complaint was dismissed at Circuit, and the judgment entered thereon was affirmed by the late General Term, in the First Department, but the Court of Appeals has ordered a reversal. The fraudulent representations were said to be that these bonds were issued for full value, and were better than railroad bonds; that the real estate alone of the corporation upon which they were a lien was worth more than the amount of the first and second mortgages upon it, and that she could at any time get her money back for the bonds. It was alleged that, in fact, these bonds were not marketable or negotiable, and that instead of being issued for full value, had been purchased by defendant at 50 cents on the dollar, and that the representations were false as to the value of the property. It appeared in the course of the trial that the interest on the bonds had been regularly paid, whereupon the dismissal was granted, upon the ground that the regular payment of interest showed that no damages could be recovered. The Court of Appeals, in an opinion by Judge O'Brien, holds that in such an action as this, based upon alleged false representations of material facts as to the value of the bonds, the fact that interest had been regularly paid upon them was not conclusive evidence against the plaintiff on the question of damages, but was only a circumstance bearing upon the question of value. The court held that when one has been induced by fraud to purchase corporate bonds that have no substantial or adequate property security behind them, he may have redress for the fraud, without waiting for default in the payment of interest.

THE SANITY OF MRS. HENRY.

Commission Will Inquire Into the Condition of the Miser's Widow.

In the Supreme Court, in Brooklyn, yesterday Justice Van Wyck appointed John A. Quintard, John B. Meyenborg, and Edward M. Van Vranken as Commissioners to inquire into the sanity of Maria L. Henry, the widow of Charles W. Henry, who was murdered in his house in South Portland Avenue in 1895.

This is the outgrowth of a suit brought by her against her son William, who, during the investigation of the murder, was known as the "bad son." She had been living with him for some time, but recently went to live with Walter, the "good son," and brought suit against William to compel him to reconvey to her her share in the murdered man's estate, which she had transferred to him. On the trial William claimed that the transfer was made in pursuance of an agreement that he should care for her during her lifetime, and that he had devoted the money to that purpose. The trial was suspended to permit an examination into her sanity, and the petition for the appointment of the commission was made by Walter Henry.

The Family Home Relief Disbands.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the New York Family Home Relief Society held Tuesday at the office of the President, Dr. D. Edwin O'Neill, 471 Hudson Street, it was decided to disband the society and retire from the field of charitable work. This action was taken because of the death of Miss Helen Day Gallagher, who for five years had been the soul of the society, and who attended to the dispensing of the funds intrusted to it by its contributors.

Miss Gallagher devoted her entire time to relieving the wants of those whom she found in distress, regardless of creed, color, or nationality. Consequently her death will be a great loss to those whose condition was such that they were compelled to look to her for succor.

The society wishes to inform the public that hereafter no one will be authorized to solicit or receive contributions in its name.

HOLLAND SOCIETY MEETING

Mayor Van Wyck Is Elected President and He Makes a Short Address.

NO ANTI-SPAIN DECLARATION

The Members Vote Not to Eliminate the Effigy of King Philip from Their Badges—The Question of a Statue Considered.

The Holland Society, at its thirteenth annual meeting, at the Savoy, last night, elected Mayor Van Wyck President and smothered two anti-Spanish resolutions.

John W. Vrooman, the retiring President, and Secretary Theodore M. Banta, read their annual reports at the opening of the meeting. Mr. Banta said that with the exception of three churches the society had secured the records of all the Dutch churches in America down to the time of the Revolution. Frank Hasbrouck of the Committee on Nominations then presented the following ticket, which was unanimously elected:

President—Robert A. Van Wyck; Vice Presidents—New York, Tunis G. Bergen; Kings County, Peter Wyckoff; Queens County, Henry A. Bogert; Westchester County, William L. Heermance; Orange County, John Schoonmaker; Dutchess County, Edward Elsworth; Ulster County, Charles Burnhams; Greene County, Philip V. Van Orden; Albany County, Albert Vander Veer; Rensselaer County, Seymour Van Santvoord; Schenectady County, Thomas L. Bartlett; Montgomery County, John D. Wordell; Hudson County, N. J., William Brinkerhoff; Bergen County, N. J., James M. Van Valen; Passaic County, N. J., Robert I. Hopper; Essex County, N. J., Moses J. De Witt; Monmouth County, N. J., Peter Stryker; Philadelphia, Theodore Voorhees; United States Army, Stewart Van Vliet; United States Navy, Arthur Burtis; Secretary—Theodore M. Banta; Treasurer—Arthur Van Brunt; Trustees—Frank Hasbrouck, Augustus Van Wyck, Egbert L. Viele, Charles H. Truax, and John W. Vrooman.

The Mayor was greeted with loud applause as he was led to the chair. After an address of introduction President Vrooman took from around his own neck the orange ribbon with the jewel of the society and started to place it over Mayor Van Wyck's head. He got the ribbon twisted, and the Mayor directed him to put it on straight. "We don't want anything crooked in this administration," he said, and a general laugh followed.

The Mayor's Address.

"Mr. President and fellow-members of the Holland Society," began Mayor Van Wyck in the first public speech he has made since he was nominated, "I esteem it one of the highest of honors and the greatest distinction to be elected President of the Holland Society, an organized body of gentlemen, the descendants of Holland Dutchmen who came here two and a half centuries ago and representing the successful element in the business and social life in New York. It is an honor to be chosen the President of this society, established for the purpose of keeping alive the memory of the heroic deeds of our Dutch ancestors and in order to induce their descendants to all time to reach that high standard of heroism which was attained by our ancestors.

"Thanking you for the honor of the trust you have imposed on me, I will now proceed to the duties of my office and ask your pleasure."

A resolution was offered extending hearty congratulations to Queen Wilhelmina of Holland on attaining her majority, to be presented at her coronation. This was not adopted because a special committee had been appointed at last year's meeting to prepare a resolution. The Chairman of this committee reported that it had been learned that Wilhelmina would receive no presents or delegations from foreign countries on the occasion of assuming the crown, it being considered the occasion of the making of a solemn covenant between her and her people. But a suitable address would be presented to her if sent by mail. It was thereupon decided to ask the Rev. Henry van Dyke to prepare an address to the Queen.

Secretary Banta began the first anti-Spanish movement by suggesting that the effigy of Philip II. with the legend, "In everything faithful to the King," was not suitable for the badges of the Holland Society. "It seems to me," he said, "that we should not bear upon our breasts the effigy of Philip of Spain."

He moved that a committee of three be named to select another design for the badge of the society. There was considerable applause, but Mr. Banta's resolution was opposed by another member of the society. He said that he was opposed to a change of badges, the present badge being historically correct. He wanted to oppose the appointment of a committee to report a different design.

The Chairman's Interruption.

"Oh, you needn't worry," suggested Mayor Van Wyck from the chair. "If you were familiar with the action of the committees appointed every year, you wouldn't fear that any sudden change would take place."

"Do you mean that the committees of this society don't do anything?" asked the member, laughing.

"I don't say that exactly; that wouldn't be diplomatic," replied the Mayor.

A number of others opposed the resolution, and a vote was taken, which appeared to divide the society pretty evenly. The Mayor declared the resolution lost.

Judge Van Hoesen reported for the committee having in charge the arrangements for erecting a monument to William the Silent in this city that he thought the society could not afford to pay for the monument designed by French to cost $60,000. He recommended a design by Niehaus, to cost $30,000. The models were on view in the parlor adjoining. At Judge Van Hoesen's suggestion the committee was directed to apply to the city authorities for the site at the foot of West Eighty-third Street. This site has already been asked for by a veteran organization.

Before the adjournment was taken a young man arose and said that he wanted to suggest a resolution which he was surprised hadn't been offered before. "If there is any class of men who can say what Spain has been in the past, we ought to know what to say, coming as we do from Dutch ancestors.

The Second Resolution.

"I hope that some one will offer a resolution expressing our sympathy with the people that is now trying to throw off the yoke of Spain's tyranny and at the same time assuring the Government at Washington of our loyal support and trust."

There was a pause for a minute or so, but nobody offered any resolution.

"Is any such resolution going to be offered?" asked the Mayor. "What is your pleasure?"

"I move we adjourn," came the reply from several men, who had been asking each other what business that young man had to offer such a resolution.

"It has been moved that we adjourn," said the Mayor, and the vote was almost unanimous.

"This meeting is adjourned," declared the Mayor, and the members left their seats to take a look at the models of the statue and to wait for the refreshments that were served shortly afterward.

CITY CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING.

Committees Elected—A Protest Against the Ahearn Bill.

At the annual meeting of the City Club of New York, 372 Fifth Avenue, last night, the following Trustees and members of committees were elected: Class of 1902, Board of Trustees—Henry Holt, Frederic Bronson, Frederick Middlebrook, J. G. Phelps Stokes, and Alfred R. Conkling; Class of 1899—Charles T. Barney; Class of 1900—Percy R. Pyne, Jr., Gustav E. Kissel, and George E. Waring, Jr.

For Members of the Committee on Membership, Class of 1901—Newbold Morris, Arthur F. Cosby, Clarence W. Bowen, Richard M. Montgomery, Charles A. Munn, and Henry Parish, Jr.; Class of 1899—E. Mortimer Ward; Class of 1900—Nelson S. Spencer.

A special committee was chosen, as follows: Charles C. Beaman, Arthur Brien, Nicholas Murray Butler, James C. Carter, W. Bayard Cutting, Paul Fuller, E. R. L. Gaillard, Meyer S. Isaacs, Joseph Larocque, Alfred E. Montgomery, and George Foster Peabody.

A resolution was passed, protesting against the enactment into a law of Senate Bill No. 884, the Ahearn bill, regulating the salaries of teachers. It was introduced by C. C. Beaman and seconded by Everett P. Wheeler.

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PISTOL SHOTS AND ELOPEMENT.

Clark Becomes Mixed Up with His Girl's Brother, but Carries Her Off in Triumph.

An elopement, including pistol shots and a broken arm as incidents, took place in Brooklyn on Thursday last, and came to general knowledge yesterday. The hero in this case was an unusually energetic hero, triumphing over angry brothers, parental opposition, and fractured bones. He is a quiet and rather studious-looking young man, twenty-eight years of age, living at 216 Forty-first Street, and is named Milton Clark. The young woman was Miss Sophie Ferchland, twenty-two years old, of 235 Forty-fifth Street.

Miss Ferchland's parents strenuously objected to the match, but without much effect. On Thursday night Clark took Miss Ferchland to a social party in East New York, the arrangement being that she should stop over night with her brother, William, and his wife, at 81 Ridgewood Avenue, East New York. She arrived there with Clark shortly before 11 o'clock. According to the story told yesterday by Ferchland's wife, she and her husband have very radical ideas on the length of time a young woman should stay up at night. They think all self-respecting young ladies should be safe in bed and asleep at 10 o'clock.

When the couple appeared at the Ridgewood Avenue house, at the shameful hour of 11, or near it, the Ferchlands were highly indignant. Mr. Ferchland, his wife says, addressed some remonstrances on the wickedness of her conduct to his sister. This was in the presence of Clark, who promptly and energetically advised Mr. Ferchland that it was "none of his business." Thereupon Mr. Ferchland smote Mr. Clark hip and thigh. Mr. Clark emerged from the house breathlessly, followed by Mr. Ferchland, and the argument was resumed.

A few moments afterward Dr. Wilhelmus Robinson of 112 Ridgewood Avenue heard two pistol shots and a woman's scream. He grabbed a case of instruments and hurried out, and found a crowd of men standing in front of the Ferchland house, which, in accordance with the Ferchland ideas of propriety, was enveloped in proper and puritanic 10 o'clock darkness. Repeated ringing at the bell by Dr. Robinson brought a woman's head out of a window, a tart announcement that nothing was the matter, and a slam of the window. The crowd dispersed, Dr. Robinson journeyed home with his instruments, and curiosity was rife in East New York until yesterday.

In fact, Clark had fired at Ferchland when the latter again attacked him. The girl followed Clark, and they boarded a street car and made arrangements for an elopement. Clark had fallen down and broken his arm in escaping from Ferchland, and it was decided to postpone the elopement until Sunday.

On Sunday the couple arrived at the home of Miss Ferchland's sister in Hoboken, and were there married. A telegram to the parental Ferchlands apprised them of the news next day. They intend to live in Hoboken. Clark says he fired because he thought Ferchland was going to kill him.

NEARLY KILLED A FRIEND.

A Die Cutter, Probably Temporarily Insane, Attacked His Shopmate.

While in a supposed fit of temporary insanity, John D. Hobson, forty years old, of 667 Carroll Street, Brooklyn, a die cutter, employed in the factory of the Whiting Manufacturing Company, at 4 East Fourth Street, yesterday morning nearly killed his shopmate, Emil W. Boettcher, by striking him on the head with a hammer as he stood at his bench. Boettcher, who lives at 927 Tinton Avenue, sustained a compound fracture of the skull.

Although the Superintendent of the factory and the police are reticent about the affair, it was learned that Hobson and Boettcher had been warm friends for years, and were working side by side when Hobson suddenly seized a hammer and struck his shopmate a terrific blow. When Boettcher fell to the floor, Hobson laid down his hammer and walked away.

The wounded man was sent to the New York Hospital, and when the police were notified Hobson had escaped.

RAPID TRANSIT MATTERS.

Charles Stewart Smith Will Be Present at To-day's Meeting.

The Rapid Transit Commission will meet to-day when the subject of the elevated railroad franchises will again come up for consideration. Charles Stewart Smith, who returned from Europe on Tuesday, will attend, and his presence will change the aspect of matters as regards the voting on the franchises, inasmuch as his vote, if cast in favor of the franchises, will give the necessary six votes to pass the measure. The form of contract has been submitted to the Corporation Counsel, and his approval is awaited.

George Gould is still out of the city, and Mr. Smith is supposed to have gone to Stamford, Conn., on his arrival here, and was not in this city yesterday. Controller Coler, who has had the consideration of the elevated franchises twice postponed on his statement that he had not yet thoroughly examined their provisions, will, it is expected, give some expression of his position at to-day's meeting.

HER FALSE TEETH EXPOSED.

Steamship Passenger Fled Because the Inspector Would Inspect.

While Inspector George Dayton was examining a trunk belonging to a pretty young woman who was a passenger on the Bremen steamship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, which arrived Tuesday night, he found a small pasteboard box, tied with blue ribbon. He was about to take it out when his arm was seized by the young woman, who pleaded with him not to open it, saying she would rather pay any amount of duty rather than have the contents, the nature of which she refused to divulge, exposed to public view.

Inspector Dayton explained that his duty compelled him to examine everything brought from a foreign country. As he untied the ribbon the young woman began to weep and left the dock.

A crowd gathered and waited expectantly for the box to be opened. Inspector Dayton finally removed the cover and found a quantity of cotton shielding its contents. It was thought the box contained precious diamonds. When the cotton was removed a set of false teeth was found. The owner of the teeth, who is said to be Miss Mary Clemmons, of this city, did not return. A young man, who said he represented her, visited the Customs Office on the dock yesterday and arranged to have her baggage and teeth taken away.

Three Policemen Dismissed.

Policeman John H. Lilly and John C. Henderson of the boiler squad, who were on trial before the Police Commissioners two weeks ago on charges of having accepted a bribe of $25 from Engineer Frederick Von Steenburg, yesterday afternoon were dismissed from the force. Von Steenburg said that he gave the men $25 to grant him an engineer's license. They were found guilty. Policeman Andrew C. Eagan of the Tenth Precinct, Brooklyn, was also dismissed. It was he, who, while on trial for abusive language to his Sergeant some time ago, threw his shield at President York and walked out.

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EAST CONFERENCE CLOSED

The Session of Methodists in Brooklyn Comes to an End.

A REPORT ON INDEBTEDNESS

The List of Appointments Is Given Out—Churches in the Districts and the Pastors That Will Fill Pulpits.

Nearly every seat in the James Methodist Episcopal Church, Brooklyn, was filled yesterday long before the members of the New York East Conference had settled down to the business of the last session.

The report of the Committee on Indebtedness showed that the debts on church and parsonage property of the Conference are now $956,923. In 1877 the indebtedness was $902,180, and the property was valued at only $5,124,950. In twenty years, therefore, the indebtedness has increased only $54,000, but the value of church and parsonage property has increased $2,252,104.

The Astor case was brought up twice during the day, and as it seemed necessary to do something definite about it, a committee of eleven was appointed with counsels for the Church, Dr. Henry Astor, having of course the privilege of selecting his own counsel. It is alleged that he ill-treated his wife.

At 2 o'clock the list of appointments was given out. It is as follows:

New Haven District.

Crandall J. North, Presiding Elder.—ANSONIA, Swedish, A. P. Syreen; ANSONIA, Fred Saunders; BAKERSVILLE, George Bennett; BEACON FALLS, J. H. Fairchild; BERLIN, E. M. Toles, supplied; BLOOMFIELD, W. F. Prince; BRISTOL, C. H. Buck; CHESHIRE, T. N. Laine; CLINTON, J. F. Drimkerke; COPPER HILL, A. P. Alvord; CROMWELL, E. W. Thompson; DERBY, O. Cowles; DURHAM and ROCKLAND, A. P. Knell; EAST BERLIN, Henry Medd; ESSEX, C. W. Lyon; FORESTVILLE, J. H. Hamilton; GREAT HILL, B. E. Case; GUILFORD and MADISON, A. A. Clark; HAMDEN PLAINS, D. L. Taylor; HARTFORD, Ichabod Simmons, First Church; North, D. N. Griffin; Parkville, W. M. Carr; South Park, W. A. Richard; Swedish, T. E. Broman; Higganum and West Haddam, A. S. Hagarty; Kensington, G. H. Cloodsell. MERIDEN, First Church, J. W. Johnstone; Trinity, W. D. Tuckey; Middlebury, J. O. Munson; Middlefield, G. B. Thurston; MIDDLETOWN, First Church, Herbert Welch; South Farms, B. F. Meredith; Milford, C. B. Pitblado; Naugatuck, J. W. Eggleston; New Brighton, J. W. Maynard; NEW HAVEN, East Pearl Street, R. T. McNicholl; Epworth, B. M. Tipple; First Church, G. S. Eldridge and M. D. Chapman; Grace, J. S. Chadwick; Howard Avenue, H. F. Kastendieck; St. Andrews, William McNichol; Summerfield, W. H. Burgwin; Swedish, O. W. Johnson; North Canton and Washington Hill, E. Knoll; Plainville, H. C. Whitney; PLEASANT VALLEY, B. B. Brown; ROCKY HILL and West Rocky Hill, W. B. Pruner; Seymour, E. C. Tuller; Shelton, G. L. Thompson; Simsbury, A. C. Eggleston; South Britain and Southbury, O. F. Range; Southington, Frank Markland; South Meriden, W. B. Manahip; Thomaston, L. J. T. Langlois; Torington, John Rippere; Unionville, A. A. Luchbury; Wallingford, E. C. Richardson; WATERBURY, Chapel Street, D. W. Howell; First Church, F. W. Hamm; St. Paul's, E. D. Bassett; WATERTOWN, C. B. Ford; WATERVILLE, H. D Trinkaus; WEST GRANDY, H. S. Scarborough; WEST HARTLAND, and COLE BROOK RIVER, J. N. Crane; WEST HAVEN, G. W. Carter; WEST SUFFIELD, R. I. B. Tilman; WESTVILLE, Henry Blatz, Jr.; WINSTED, E. S. Ferry; WOLCOTTHERSFIELD, A. L. Hubbard; WINDSOR, E. O. Tree; WINDSOR LOCKS, W. M. Warden; WOODBURY, R. R. Reynolds; YALESVILLE, F. W. Adams.

New York District.

John W. Beach, Presiding Elder.—BANTAM CIRCUIT, W. H. S. McMorris; BETHEL, B. M. Adams; BRIDGEPORT—First Church, H. E. Burns; Grace, M. O. Lepley; NEWFIELD, Samuel Gurney; NORTH MAINE, I. M. Lounsbury; SUMMERFIELD, E. C. Carpenter; WASHINGTON PARK, N. G. Chaney; CANNON and SOUTH WILTON, John Brien; CORNWALL BRIDGE and ELLSWORTH, Almon E. Smith; DANBURY, W. W. Bowbish; DARIEN, S. A. Sands; EASTON, E. J. Curtis; GEORGETOWN, R. I. Beach; GREENWICH, W. W. Gillies; HITCHFIELD, G. C. Boswell; MAMARONECK, E. C. Hoag; MIANNUS, W. C. Wilson; MOUNT VERNON—First Church, G. C. Peck; North, B. F. Gilman; NEW CANAAN, R. S. Putney; NEW MILFORD, G. W. Servis; NEW ROCHELLE—First Church, W. H. Wardell; St. John's, H. H. Goodenough; NEWTOWN CIRCUIT, F. H. Sawyer; CHESTER HILL, R. W. Raymond; NEW YORK—Beekman Hill, D. W. Couch; City Island, A. C. Bowbish; Cornell Memorial, J. Wright; East Chester, R. S. Bovey; Grace, J. J. Moffit; Italian Mission, F. A. Tagliatela; North New York, W. H. Barton; Olin, P. J. Poulson; Seventeenth Street, J. H. Smith; Sixty-first Street, P. A. Dent; Thirty-seventh Street, H. S. Stil; Trinity, James Montgomery; Twenty-seventh Street, W. S. Winans, Jr.; Westchester and Bronxdale, W. H. P. Fleming; West Farms, W. H. Shrub; Woodstock, Nathan Hobbell; NICHOLS—J. L. Rollins; NORTH WILTON and VISTA, George Bennett, Jr.; NORWALK—East Norwalk, A. J. Smith; Norwalk, F. A. Seofield; Rowayton, H. R. Wing; South Norwalk, A. S. Kavanagh; PORT CHESTER—King Street, B. T. Abbott; Summerfield, W. T. Pray; Pound Ridge Circuit, J. M. Tranmer; Redding, B. C. Pillsbury; Ridgefield, F. B. Upham; Round Hill, J. E. Zeiter; Roxbury Circuit, B. T. Brush; Rye, Nelson Edmonds; Saugatuck, W. M. Patton; Southport, F. P. Tower; Stamford, F. W. Crowder, Henry Roissy; Stamford Circuit, C. A. Wilson; Stepney and Long Hill, L. W. Holmes; Stratford, W. E. Jeffries; West Goshen Circuit, G. A. Stott; West Redding, J. L. Gurney; Westport, W. H. Wakeman.

Brooklyn, North District.

George Van Alstyne, Presiding Elder.—BAYSIDE, C. B. Dalton; BAYVILLE, (Sup.) BRIDGEHAMPTON, T. L. Rice; BROOKLYN—Andrews, S. G. Howell; Bushwick Avenue, W. A. Layton; Central, George Adams; De Kalb Avenue, C. E. Miller; Epworth, E. A. Blake; First Church, W. H. Lawrence; Knickerbocker Avenue, W. H. Schoonhoven; North Fifth Street, E. Bowden; Pettit, J. H. Longmore; Shaw Avenue, E. A. Burns; St. John's, D. G. Downey; South Second Street, R. S. Pardington; South Third Street, William Hamilton; Tabernacle, B. F. Ridder; Tompkins Avenue, W. T. Duncan; Union Church, C. P. Corner; Calverton, O. C. Lane; CENTRAL ISLIP and HAUPAUG, Fred Fanton; COLD SPRING HARBOR, W. U. Tatt; COMMACK and ELWOOD, C. H. Benedict; CORAM and MIDDLE ISLAND, A. F. Robetson; CORONA, H. K. Smith; CUTCHOGUE, C. M. Pegg; EAST HAMPTON, H. E. Marsland; EAST NORWICH, Scofield; EAST QUOGUE, H. F. Reeve; FLANDERS, John Nash; FLUSHING, A. E. Pratt; GLEN COVE, L. H. Cannell; GLENDALE, G. E. Filler; GOOD GROUND, F. M. Halleck; GREAT NECK, H. Q. Judd; GREENPORT, W. J. White; HOLLIS, W. R. Brown; HUNTINGTON, F. Walter; GREENTREPORT, W. C. Wentworth; ELMHURST, E. S. Keller; JAMAICA, L. E. Moore; JERICO CIRCUIT, A. McNichol; LAKE GROVE and ST. JAMES, M. S. Paulson; LONG ISLAND CITY, Grace, W. W. Winans; Third Church, Henry Hiler; Trinity, J. A. Macmillan; MASPETH, W. M. Brown; MATTITUCK and JAMESPORT, J. Nelson; MIDDLE VILLAGE, J. H. Lockwood, Jr.; NEW YORK, Allen Street Memorial, E. P. Saxon; Eleventh Street, E. L. Fox; Forsyth Street, F. J. Shackleton; John Street, M. F. Compton; Second Street, A. C. Morehouse; Seventh Street, F. H. Smith; Willet Street, A. Marsland; NORTHPORT, C. A. Kneeal; ORIENT, David McMullen; OYSTER BAY, W. P. Estes; PORT JEFFERSON, E. K. Creed; PORT WASHINGTON, G. B. Dusenbever; RIVERHEAD, J. H. Hand; ROSLYN and SEARINGTON, Robert Wasson; SAG HARBOR, Joseph Baird; SEA CLIFF, H. D. Weston; SETAUKET, W. J. Bowman; SMITHTOWN, W. E. Smith; SOUTHAMPTON, N. E. Scofield; SOUTHOLD, H. W. Byrnes; STONY BROOK, R. C. Miller; WEST HAMPTON BEACH, A. A. Gilman; WEST HAMPTON BEACH, W. R. Sears; WHITESTONE, W. C. Shaw; WINFIELD, ——; WOODBURY and WEST HILLS, J. A. Churchhill.

Brooklyn, South District.

Charles S. Wing, Presiding Elder.—AMITYVILLE, First Church, E. B. Munson; North Church, Alexander McLean; BABYLON, R. F. Norton; BALDWINS, J. P. Wagner; BAYPORT, James Robinson; BAY SHORE, C. P. Tinker; BELLEMORE, E. S. Wright; BELLEPORT, (supplied;) BROOKHAVEN, C. P. Christopher; BLUE POINT, G. T. Freeman; BROOKLYN—Bay Ridge, W. L. Davison; Benson Avenue, H. H. Birkins; Blythebourne, H. H. Du Bois; Buffalo Avenue, W. M. Stonehill; Cropsey Avenue, J. H. Slator; Eighteenth Street, C. F. Bartholow; Ambury Memorial, J. E. Strobridge; Fennimore Street, C. S. Williams; First Place, W. U. Clark; Flatlands, F. W. Gray; Fleet Street, F. B. Stockcale; Fourth Avenue, R. W. Jones; Goodrich, (supplied;) Grace, Allan McKeesle; Hanson Place, C. L. Goodell; Janes, J. E. Adams; Jabes Scott, (supplied;) Borrough Park, J. H. Stambury; Lenox Road, W. C. Blakeman; New York Avenue, J. T. McFarland; Nostrand Avenue, J. H. Willey; Ridley Memorial, Lemuel Richardson; Russell Place, W. C. Steele; St. Paul's, F. Stiehler; Sands Street Memorial, D. A. Jordan; Sheepshead Bay, J. H. Lightbourn; Simpson, T. S. Henderson; Sixth Avenue, S. O. Curtiss; Summerfield, J. R. Thompson; Sumner Avenue, H. H. Beattys; Warren Street, A. W. Byrt; Wesley, Gustiavo Streeter; Windsor Terrace, S. H. Smith; York Street, W. H. Hughes; CENTRE MORICHES, W. Sears; EAST MORICHES, Alexander McAllister; EAST MEADOW and UNIONDALE, Robert Woodhouse; ELMONT, James